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## Government retreat may avert national coal strike

in official national miners' strike closures and to provide more state nay be averted after unexpected oncessions last night. The Governnent and the coal board agreed to

aid. Government circles agreed that the Prime Minister's paramount consideration had been to withdraw the plan for 23 pit avoid an official strike [Page 3].

#### Pit closure programme halted

The threatened national strike the miners may be averted ter a sudden retreat by the covernment and the National al Board last night. More ate aid is to be made available the industry and the plan for pit closures has been with-

Under increasing pressure om unofficial strikes that are pidly getting out of control
the coalfields, Mr David
owell, Secretary of State for
tergy, agreed to big concesins on the miners' two main mands: curtailment of coal iports and cash limits for the

ard. Mr Joseph Gormley, president the National Union of Mine-orkers, was hopeful after the o-hour crisis meeting in hitehall that the meeting of s 25-member executive this orning will not recommend at the nation's 240,000 pitmen ould stage an indefinite

"I hope the explanation we all give to the executive will enough to convince them ere is no need for a ballot, said. "The whole situation is fferent.

It became clear late last zit, however, that the left il seek to keep up the pres-re on the Cabinet by continu-t and extending the unofficial ikes that are engulfing more un half the coalfields.

In Yorkshire, eight pits, duding the country's largest se. Kellingley, were reported be out, and the militants pect to win further backing in it and other coalfields.

Mr Michael McGahey, vice-isident of the NUM and mmenist leader of the arrish pitmen, said: "I am y for from satisfied with the aring, which only amounts promises to review the situaa. On the real passes, "
no concrete agreement,"
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no concrete agreement, n. On the real issues there

But the expectation less by was that Mr Gormley, rshalling his 15 to 10 builtmajority of moderate votes: the NUM executive, could estail pressure to go to a cet pithead ballot of the men Mr Jack Collins: a recommendation for

An all-party parliamentary

s need for a nuclear power

ment, criticizes the demand

The report does not attack

e need for nuclear power as

partment of Energy has not id sufficient attention to the

lative merits of spending on

ogramme, equal to an esti-ited £15,000m at 1980 prices,

e committee believes that the

se for new generating capa-y must be very persuasive. It remains unconvinced that

ere is an economic or indus-

al reason for the size of

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Mr Howell said that the Gov-

nment would allow two

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weigh heavily with the moderate majority.
Mr Howell, flanked by Mr Howell, flanked by junior ministers from the Welsh and Scottish offices and the Department of Industry, is understood to have told the mioing unions that coal imports would, fall from eight million tonnes to five and a half million tonnes this year, and the Government would provide aid to reduce that figure still further.

operating subsidies are being withdrawn under the Coal Industry Act. 1980.

Mr Gormley said: "The Government has indicated that they are willing to make cash available to help the import situation and help the board's financial position. On that basis the board has withdrawn the the board has withdrawn the statement they made on February 10 [the closure programme]."

The miners will now discuss with the board the industry's future within a more relaxed financial framework, but there will still be some colliery

"We have already admitted that there will have to be pit closures", Mr Gormley said. "Pits will close. That is a state ment of fact. They come to the end of their life."

Further talks with Mr Howell are planned for next Wednesday when the size of the Govern-ment's help for the industry will become clearer. Mr Gormley would only say it would be "a lot of money". He did not deny that it could run into hundreds of millions of pounds. After last night's announce-ment Mr Emlyn Williams, president of the miners in

South Wales, said the strike in his area would continue until of a chosure, threat was unta-drawn in all parts of Britain. An area delegates' conference. would be needed before the South Wales strike could be Mr Jack Collins; the NUM's

Kent area secretary, said Kent miners would not return to

1932, with the choice of reactor

The select committee's strong-

est criticism is reserved for the

unhappy at the assumptions on

so far figured seriously in de-

cisions about which system should be built in Britain.

Leading article, page 15

after the first PWR left open.

The board's withdrawal of the work until they receive "cer-closure programme within tain safeguards".

hours of completing its He added: "We are dealing announcement is expected to with cumning people and, for He added: "We are dealing

with cumning people and, for the present, the Kent miners have a guarded mistrust of the new situation. The unofficial miners' strike spread rapidly yesterday before the announcement to Durham, Scotland, and Staffordshire. All the Scottish pits
were at a standstill by last
night in Yorkshire, the NUM
area council meeting has been brought forward by three days

There would be more cash to ease the financial difficulties of the coal board, from which National Coal Board had an operating subsidies are being nounced five further colliery. closures in Scotland and York shire, bringing the final tally under the now-withdrawn shut-down programme to 23 and the number of jobs to be lost to

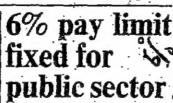
> The men in Scotland had begun to walk out even before area management disclosed the intention to close Cardowan (1,178 jobs). High House (320), and Sorn (229), in addition to Lady Victoria (568), the closure of which had already been exceed.

Af the Yorkshire meeting the closures of Manor (250, jobs) and Park Hill (450). collieries were announced, in addition to Orgrave (520), which was already named, and Loft-house (600), which has been

agreed. The strike in Durham began when miners at the doomed Sacriston colliery stopped work Sacriston colliery stopped work and went to picket the other mines named for closure. The men also struck at the Victoria pit in Staffordshire, which is listed for closure; and the Welsh miners set out to other coalfields to spread the unofficial states the stafford the coalfields. cial action that has halted their coalfield and Kent.

Micers in South Wales are also picketing power stations, beginning far Aberthaw usar Barry, south Glamwigan. The Central Electricity Generating Board said no coal was going into any of the four power stations in South Wales. stations in South Wales, but there were stocks of \$86,000 tonnes, enough for about five

Coal crisis, page 3



Labour Reporter
The Government formally declared its intention last night to impose a 6 per cent limit on pay increases for about 1.7 million people directly employed by the state. The innouncement produced, pre-

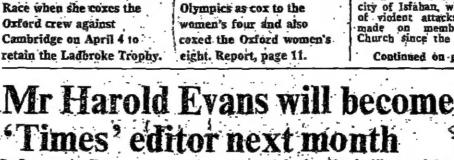
the Government.
In a sharply worded report
is energy select committee,
in the new departmental numities formed by this Parment criticism the demand dictably, a hostile reaction from public service unious. Its demand forecasts were d cost estimates of the electric authorities and attacks using of the assumptions made assessing which nuclear actor should be chosen.

The manner does not attack weeks of its first evidence to the committee from 52,000 megawatts.

The committee believes it was misleading not to say that The cash limit, which was announced in a Commons writ-ten answer by Sir Geoffrey Howe, Chancellor of the Exhequer, had been foreshadowed was misleading not to say that by the 6 per cent pay offers already made to 530,000 white the figures were being revised downwards, even if precise figures were not known. "The coller civil servants, and to more than 200,000 hospital ancilcredibility of much of the lary staff and ambulancemen. CEGE's subsequent evidence Other groups of workers who will be offered 6 per cent include 450,000 nurses and midwives, 90,000 doctors and dentists and 120,000 National Health Service administrative and clerical staff. was undermined by this omis-sion." the report states. The committee was deeply

cost produced by the CEGB, which implied that an American pressurized water reactor built in the United Kingdom would cost 34 per cent more than one built elsewhere. Sir Geoffrey also announced that the cash limit for public sector expenditure, excepting pay, would be 11 per cent, the It recommends that the Secre-tary of State for Energy should order an immediate indepen-dent assessment of the suita-bility of the Canadian designed limit announced last November for local authorities. The limit for pay will apply to settle-ments due before August I and provisionally for settlements Candu reactor, which has not

after that date. The 6 per cent offer to the white collar civil servants has



Mr Harold Evans will become 'Times' editor next month By Dan van der Vat

is to be Mr Harold Evans, Mr Ruperi Murdock, chairman of Times Newspapers Ltd, announced yesterday. The deputy editor of The Sunday Times, Mr Frank Giles, will. succeed Mr Evans as editor, there, and the appointments will take effect at the beginning of March.

Miss Susan Brown, aged 22,

woman to appear in the 152

years of the University Boat.

who will become the first

The outgoing editor of The Times, Mr William Rees-Mogg, taid in announcing the news to line editorial staff: "Harold Braps is a great journalist and am sure he will do an excellent job. He thanked journalists for their support during the 14 years of his editorship, particularly the last four which had been "exceptionally diffi-

Harold Matthew. Evans, son of a locomorive driver, was born in Manchester in 1928 and has been an editor for 20 years, during which he has established himself not only as the leading editorial technician in contemporary British journalism but also as the most passionate campaigner for its freedom.

As editor of The Sunday Times for the past 14 years, he has fought many memorable battles for freedom of informa-tion and against official secrecy, for the right to invesnigate marters of public interest and against attempts of suppression by governments, parlia-ments and courts. He has propounded his com-

mitment to a freer press from many platforms, but his Granada Lecture on the subject in 1974 encapsulated it as well as any other occasion. "Had as any other occasion. "Had Watergate burglars been in Square or Transport House, the half-free press of Britain would have been Continued on page 2, col 4 | Britain | would have muzzled , he said.

The number of battles Mr in Ulster and Israel, soutions to be Mr Harold Evans, Mr remembered. One of his beroes the air and a string of financial is the great Victorian editor.

W. T. Stead, and it was from Fraud Squad. The air at 200 the editorial chair ance are the stream of the the editorial chair once occupied by that outstanding carepied by that outstanding card-paigners, at the Northern Echo in Darlington, that Mr Evans successfully pursued his cam-paign for a free pardon for the wrongly convicted; and hanged Timothy Evans;

Photograph by Peter Trievno

Miss Brown, from Honiton in

Devon, is an undergraduate

at Wadham College and

competed in the 1980.

After five years editing the Northern Echo, during which he won a Newspaper Design Award for rechamics. for reshaping the paper, Mr Evans became chief assistant to the editor of The Sunday Times. then Mr (later Sir) Denis Hamilton, in 1966, and was made joint managing editor shortly afterwards. He became editor in

January 1967.

The period has been marked by a long series of spectacular investigations, ranging from the Savundra car insurance swindle to false labelling of wine, from question-rigging in-Parliament to brutality towards prisoners



Mr Harold Evans : Fighter of many memorable battles.

busting in Rhodesia, safety in the air and a string of financial investigations worthy of the Froud Squad. The air at 200 Gray's Inn Road was often thick with writs.

The longest and hardest struggle of them all was the great thalidomide case the effects of which still rumble on in Parliament. An investigation of the unique tragedy, in which a sedative taken by thousands of pregnant women produced appalling deformities in their children, was completed in 1972, 11 years after it all began. Writs prevented its publica-tion. Mr Evans fought the case

all the way to the House of Lords and lost. Refusing to give up, he took the case to the European Commission of Human Rights, which found in his favour. The European Court of Human Rights followed suit. finding that the surression of the article was an infringement of freedom and making it necessary for Britain to reconsider its laws and rules on

contempt of court. Among many awards, Mr
Evans was named Journalist of
the Year in the British IPC
awards for 1973, International
Editor of the Year 1975 by the
American Atlas World Press Review and received the gold medal of the Institute of Journalists in Britain in 1979. Mr Giles is 62 and joined The Times as a foreign corre-The Times as a foreign correspondent after war service and a short period in the Foreign Office, including a time as private secretary to Mr Ernest Bevin, He joined The Sunday Times and became its foreign editor in 1961, a post he gave up only in 1977.

He will have two joint deputy editors: Mr Hugo Young, the present political editor, and Mr Ron Hall, editor of the paper's magazine.

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party.
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benefited from selective buying.
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Gills encountered buying on hopes of a cut in MLR roday and the FT Index closed 3.8 higher at 489.3
Financial Editor: Dalgety reaps takeover benefits; Uncertain times at BOC Business features: Margaret Stone looks at the role of personal savings in funding the public sector borrowing requirement; Melvyn Westlake, in Economic Notebook, on the ups and downs of the

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Ross Davies's Business Diary

#### Iran admits Biggest tax cuts and spending curbs in Britons are first Reagan budget

An Iranian Christian has confessed to forging documents that led to the imprisonment of three British missionaries for six months. A fourth Briton, Mr Andrew Pyke, has also been dent Reagan.

held.
Ayarollah Muhammad
Beheshti, the head of the
Supreme Court said that the
four Britons, who have been
jailed since August, would be
freed "perhaps in a very short
time". The confession would
be filmed and shown on tranian
telegisting he added. television, he added.
- Ayatollah Beheshri told a

Ayatollah Beheshri told a press conference the four could leave prison after "administrative operations" had been completed: Asked when this might happen, he said: "I don't think it will be so long. But I don't know the details."

Diplomats were encouraged by the ayatollah's comments, which contradicted recent statements by Iranian officials that

ments by Iranian officials that the Britons might be put on

trial.

Avatollah Beheshti did not explain why the statements conflicted and left several other questions, unanswered. He questions unanswered. He would not explain why the Iranian's confession should relate to Mr Pyke, a business. man whose case was not under-stood to be related to those of the three Anglican missionaries

Miss Jean Waddell, and Dr John and Dr Audrey Coleman are the three missionaries.

The ayatollah would not comment on what was keeping the four in prison.

"I don't decide all this be-

cause the decision should be taken by a normal court, not the Supreme Court, and what I say is only the report on the case which the Revolutionary Court in Tehran has given to

He said the Iranian who had confessed to forging the docu-ments, which purported to show the British missionaries as spies, was an employee of "one of the Christian missions in Iran". It was assumed he was referring to the Anglican Mission based in the central Iranian city of Isfahan, where a series of violent attacks have been made on members of the Church since the revolution.

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US Economics Correspondent

Washington, Feb 18 cuts and non-military public spending cuts ever proposed by a United States Administration, was announced tonight by Presi-

. The programme demonstrates concern at the White House to strengthen national security by proposing a \$90,000m increase (£40.000m) over the next four years in defence spending to a 1984 total of \$250,000m.

The programme is designed to stimulate private investment and savings and reduce the Government's role in the economy. Public spending, as a percentage of gross national product, is planned to fall from about 23 per cent today to approximately 19 per cent in four

is proposed. Increases will be hattempted. limited to 6 per cent compared to the 16 per cent of the last

programme will gradually reduce inflation, from today's 11 per cent to a projected 5.5 per cent by 1984. They also forecast that the budget will be balanced by 1984 and that economic from the control of the control o nomic growth, in real terms, will exceed 4 per cent next year and in subsequent years, after the 1.1 per cent achieved this

Many of the public spending cuts are so far reaching that President Reagan will find ex-ceptional difficulty getting all his programme through Con-

Large cuts are proposed, for example, in extended unem-ployment benefits, government employee injury compensation, government support of a specialblack lung trust fund and in government supported health, food, education, housing and energy programmes. The tax burden on all

Americans will be reduced by 30 per cent over the next three years and a half. Capital gains taxes will be gradually reduced and large tax incentives are proposed for business in order to stimulate investment in new

plant and equipment.
The Administration promised that as soon as Congress has enacted these tax cuts a new set of tax cutting proposals will be outlined to encourage indvidual saving and investment

Direct spending cuts of \$41,400m are proposed for the 1982 fiscal year starting on October 1 but additional savings are advocated through in-

creases in airport user charges and cuts in credit programmes so that overall Government spending might be down by \$50,000m from the level proposed by the Carter Administra-The combination of tax and

spending cuts will reduce the budget deficit in the 1982 fiscal year by some \$9,000m—to \$45,000m. This is expected to be halved in the 1983 fiscal year with a tiny surplus being seen in 1984.

The Administration says the budget deficits will be financed

by increased savings resulting from the tax cuts and not by

President Reagan said his The largest programme of tax programme, described as America's new beginning: A programme for economic re-covery," consisted not only of tax and spending cuts but big changes in the government's regulation of business and new initiatives on the money policy

For the first time the Administration has given quite specific instructions to the specific instructions to the Independent Federal Reserve Board, calling on the Central Bank to pursue a strictly monetarist programme of slowing the rate of growth in the monetary stupply.

money supply.
The Administration emphasized the importance the Con-tral Bank should place on money and credit growth and in securing long term objecyears. It gave a warning that
A dramatic slow-down in the management of interes, rates in
growth rate of public spending the short term should not be

limportant proposals are made for reviewing government regu-lations on the basis of their this, while boosting defence economic consequences and the

spending, huge cuts are pro-expected result will be a sharp posetion many areas—including reduction in new regulations, a 20 per cent reduction in feet as well as large-scale abolition eign sid:

The Bresident's economic means the Administration hopes advisers predicted that the new to strengthen free market economic forces. President Reagan is sensitive to charges that the new programme will place too sharp a

burden upon the most needy Americans. To counter this, a series of social benefit programmes are linked. They are primarily social security bene-fits for the elderly, hasic unemployment payments and basic welfare programmes and they come under a new budget category called "safety net programmes". From the budget figures

given, these programmes will rise, in terms of outlay, over the next few years, to account for 40.6 per cent of total government spending in 1984, compared with 36.6 per cent

today.

Defence spending is seen as rising from 24.1 per cent to 32.4 per cent by 1984 and interest payments on the national debt will be slightly down on current levels at 8.6 per cent of outlays in 1984.

The result is that spending on all other programmes will fall from 29.5 per cent rods; (or \$193.200m) to just 18.4 per cent, or \$142,000m, by 1934. Every area of energy supply and conservation spending in the government will be drawn

The budgets of the nation humanities are to be cut by 50 per cent and spending on public broadcasting will go down by 25 per cent. Loan authorizations by the Export-Import Bank are to be cut by more than \$2,000m next year to

Foreign aid in the 1982 fiscal year is to be cut by \$1,854m to \$5,392m. Specific details were not announced today.

Administration also seeks considerable reorganizamany government programmes. More than 40 separate health programmes have been brought together into a scheme where large block grants of funds will be given for state and local government use as appropriate.

President's sell, page 6 Rough medicine, page 19

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ost pay scitlements are approaching two-figure levels. Department of Empayment earnings figures for December dicate a rise in average earnings of less an 10 per cent a year, and the results in the Confederation of British Indus-is per databank show that settlements e surraging between 8 and 9 per cent myered to an average of more than 16 recet in July and 13 per cent in August

#### Vater strike backed

le gradual move towards Britain's first tional water strike continued when degates representing 3,000 water and merage workers in south-east and uthern England voted overwhelmingly reject the employers "final" 10 per nt pay offer. The vote was taken as inficial action was spreading in the North-Page 2

#### Rises of 6pc proposed in EEC farm prices

The European Commission has proposed increases in farm produce prices ranging between 5 and 12 per cent. The proposals also incorporate measures to reduce mounting food surpluses. The net cost to the Community budget is put at about 1230m. The increases still have to be agreed among the agricultural ministers of the Transcore. of the Ten-

#### Polish student pact

The threat of a nationwide strike by Polish students has been removed by an agreement reached between the Lodz University students and Mr. Gorski, the Minister of Education. It gives the students the right to form an independent union and grants most demands of an

#### academic character 16 martyrs beatified

Sixteen priests and laymen who were tortured to death by the Japanese in the seventeenth century have been beatified by the Pope. Three million Filipinos watched the ceremony in Manila. Page 7

#### Judge orders 16 airlines to hand over £2m

A High Court judge ordered 16 foreign airlines to pay an estimated 12m to the British Airports Authority in 21 days. The sum is the increase in landing charges imposed at Heathrow. London, from last April, which the airlines with held and are disputing in a legal action Page 5

## England lose by innings Despite a brave innings of 70 by Boycott, England lost the first Test against West Indies by an innings and 79 runs. Boycott batted for five and a quarter hours but none of his colleagues matched him and England's second innings folded at 169 all out Page 11

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## Slide towards national Peace move water strike gathers momentum

Labour Reporter

The gradual move towards Britain's first national water strike continued yesterday when delegates representing 3,000 water and sewerage workers in south-east and southern England voted overwhelmingly to reject the employers' "final" offer of pay rises of 10 per cent.

Yesterday's vote, which came as unofficial action spread in the North-east, means that more than half of the members of the General and Municipal Workers' Union employed in the industry have rejected the offer. The only reversal for the unions came from representatives of 1,500 members of the National Union of Public Employees in the Midlands, who voted to accept the offer.

It was being argued in union circles that the Midlands vote is unlikely to be representative of Nupe's 10,000 members in the industry and had been in-fluenced by special factors such as large bonuses earned by employees of the Severn-Trent

Water Authority.
Despite the Midlands vote, delegates at the conference indicated their support for any official national action called by the union leadership, including a strike. Mr Gordon Will, Nupe assistant divisional officer, said after the meeting: "It was a question of judging the offer in the light of the present unfavourable economic climate."

Yesterday's meeting of the GMWU's southern region members at Chessington, Surrey, rejected the offer by an over-whelming majority. Mr George Holland, the union's south-east regional officer, said he was sure that workers in the area would support a strike call.

"The delegates agreed to support any action called by the union negotiators. They felt the Government was interfering with free collective bargaining and they are unhappy

about it", he said. The delegates indicated that they would continue to seek a £20-a-week increase, which was the main component of a claim for rises of 30 per cent lodged by the four unions last October on behalf of the 32,000 water and sewerage workers in England and Wales.

Further delegate meetings are to be held over the next few days, with GMWU meetings toin Birmingham and Liverpool likely to produce an overall majority of water workers in favour of a national strike. NUPE conferences in the North-east and London have also voted for strike action.

Union negotiators are due to

meet next Wednesday to consider the results of the consultaprovement in the offer from the employers they are likely to give notice of strike action. Overtime ban: All water and sewerage workers joined the unofficial overtime ban in Northumberland refusing to handle any calls outside normal working hours except emergencies (John (John

Witherow writes from Durham). About 340 GMWU NUPE members are involved in the three-day-old dispute in North-umberland and Wearside. The two unions have decided to call-for a strike from next Thursday in Northumberland unless the employers improve their pay offer.

The work to rule means that burst mains are not being dealt with immediately.

## by BL in Jaguar plant dispute

From Clifford Webb Correspondent. Coventry

In an unexpected move last night BL Cars offered an olive branch to the leaders of its white-collar unions which could end the campaign of work sanctions in procest at compulsory redundancies.

The company said it would not proceed with the remaining 700 compulsory redundancies if the unions would agree to lift their ban on overtime, refusal to allow work to be contracted. out and other restrictions on normal working.
The concession has appar-

ently been made possible because increasing numbers of volunteers have come forward since talks broke down last week. It is understood that 200 staff have volunteered in the

past 10 days.
With the 200 compulsory redundancies already announced this week, that means BL will be only 400 short of the 4,250 staff redundancies it is seeking by March 31. The management is now reasonably confident that the remaining gap will be closed before that date. Attempts to increase the sanc-

tions into an all-out strike at the Jaguar plant, Coventry, appear to have run out of steam. A confused meeting of 1,000 Jaguar staff ended on Tuesday without a vote being taken and attempts to call a second meeting have found little support
The men were initially
angered by the speed with
which 60 Jaguar staff were

made redundant. They were handed their notices on Monday and told to leave the same

Select committee, page 19

#### The centre in turmoil, 4: Signs of firm support for the social democrats from new towns

## Shirley Williams territory sets the pace of change

Stevenage, first of the postwar new towns, does not yet possess the kind of history that would allow it to erect statues to its most eminent burghers.
When the time arrives Mrs
Shirley Williams, MP for Herr-

ford and Stevenage until 1979, will be a strong candidate for a commemorative plaque at least, somewhere between Woolworth on the pedestrianized shopping centre and the clock tower, unveiled by the Queen in 1958.

Mrs Williams, a local heroine by any standards, may be said to have turned this raw young town in Hertfordshire into the birthplace of social democracy, as the giants of the Labour movement turned Hampstead, in London, into the intellectual home of socialism.

then Stevenage is its hottest crucible, for a large proportion of electors from all three parties are promising to follow their "Shirl" to Timbuctoo if she should choose to go there. Even more encouraging for the embryo social democratic party are the indications that support for it throughout the "soft" South-east is as firm as it is in Williams territory.

The request is especially

relevant because it comes from

Mr Frank Field, Labour MP for

Birkenhead, who is a member of the left-wing Tribune Group of Labour MPs.

Mr Field, in a letter to Mr Ronald Hayward, general secre-tary of the party, states that there should be serious discus-sion on whether the Militant

Tendency as a group can remain within the party.

heir constituencies. If they did,

then they would be more acquainted with what was

happening."
Mr Field suggests that in

By Michael Hatfield

Mr Michael Foot the Labour

The argument centred on the

Shadow Cabinet's views on the

election of the leader and the

special conference decision that.

a 40 per cent share of the electoral college should go to

the trade unions, with the rest divided equally between the parliamentary party and the constituency parties.

Mr Benn put forward a motion that the special con-

ference decision should be allowed to stand. When he

failed to get a seconder, he proposed he should be permitted to put it to the parliamen-

Party leader, delivered his first snub to Mr Wedgwood Benn

Political Reporter

leader dismissed

By Michael Hatfield

Political Reporter

If the centre is in turmoil

away across the county border in Essex, nearly 35 per cent of those canvassed said they would support such a party and only 25 per cent said they would not. But support for the social democrats in the even newer town of Basildon derives mainly

from disenchanted Labour voters and Liberals anxious to do a deal. About one in three electors across the political board in Stevenage say they will support Mrs Williams, who has severed her connexions with the local constituency Labour Party des-pite an emotional appeal by the party's agent, Mr james Caldwell.

Only 25 per cent of those canvassed said they would not support a new party. But that number may increase if Mrs Williams is not chosen as its

Mrs Wendy Skiggins, aged 23, a housewife and mother, who voted Labour at the last election, said: "I would follow Shirley Williams to Timbuctoo, she is that good for Stevenage and the country and I would in the country and I would be constructed." and the country, and I would probably vote for the social democrats even if she is not the leader. The party offers some-thing new, away from the old extremes."

'Militant' study by Labour urged

a test-rig operator, who voted Liberal last time, said: "You can count me in as long as the two parties get together. Otherwise they have no chance. I would prefer David Steele to lead it but Shirley Williams would do fine."

Mr Peter Thomas, a businessman, aged 50, said: "I voted Conservative with some pleasure and I am not too happy with what they have done to my business. I could not vote for Michael Foot, but Roy Jenkins of Mrs Williams? Maybe, if the Tories do not stop cutting. our throats."

Stevenage, a town with a population of 74,000 and 7.8 per cent unemployment, lies to the north-west of the Hertford and Stevenage constituency. The old county town of Herrford and the pretty villages that sit between it and their new industrial cousin were responsible for handing the seat to the Conservative candidate, Mr Bowen

Support for Mrs Williams outside Stevenage is less certain in the sense that traditional Conservative voters are less likely to change than those Tories in Stevenage who dis-approved more of her former

Wells, with a majority of 1,296,

But Stevenage is expected to Boundary Commission pro-posals a change which most people believe would almost

guarantee sa seat for Mrs Williams as a social democrat. Basildon, a district whose population has increased from 39,000 in 1947 to 155,000 last

year as it consumed London's postwar overspill, elected Mr Harvey Proctor, the Conservative, with a majority of 5,180 in 1979 While the ne wtown is substantially Labour, support for Mr Proctor comes largely from

the old-established and expanding towns of Wickford and Billericay. The home of Ford's European Trucks division, Basildon, is the second largest constituency in England and Wales and is also the subject of a Boundary Commission proposal that would make it a constituency

With doubled unemployment in the past year, Basildon stands as a warning to the main parties, particularly Labour, not to take its difficulties lightly. The Labour vote threatens to ddift substantially to a social

in its own right.

views of its former Labour MP. Mr Eric Moonman, who was

unseated last time. And Conservative women enjoying the taste of a female Prime Minister though not the unemployment situation, are enthusiastic about the possible

emergence of another woman

at the helm. Miss Joan Peters, aged 23, a secretary, said: "I voted Conservative, but not to put my boy friend out of work. I like the idea of a woman Prime Minister but Mrs Thatcher must not assume she will have my vote pext time. The people here want jobs they know they are not going to lose and a sensible

mortgage rate." Mr James Clarke, aged 73, a retired postman, approached Mrs Williams when he had trouble over his pension. She saw him and sorted out his difficulty. A Labour voter, he said: "I cannot think of a better recommendation than that for supporting her cause am not sure about any difference in policies, but if she stands between the two extremes and her policies mean I can pay my electricity bills then I am on ber side."

democratic party regardless of Next: Geoffrey Smith sums up

of Mr Foor's action.

Some shadow ministers said

they were sad the three old-comrades would not be at the

dinner, if only to say goodbye;

others retorted that the three

had no business coming when they were intent on setting up a party which would attack Labour.

There was even applause for

Mr Foot for having taken firm action at last. But there was agreement that it had probably

spoilt the occasion for Mr and

yesterday. One was that Mr Foot had not written to Mrs

Williams because, so it was said,

the organizers had assumed

from her first uncertain reply

that she was not coming. And they had not returned Mrs Wil-

liams's cheque, as they had

those of the other two, because

Mrs Williams insisted that

attend; she had written earlier

that her schedule was uncertain

because of television commit

certain that her secretary had

She could not be

none had been received.

Some clarifications emerged

#### LT forecast of fall in traffic share

By Jacob Ecclestone London Transport's share of passenger traffic in the capital is forecast to fall from its present level of 30 per cent to 25 per cent by 1990. In a report to the Commons Select Com-mittee on Public Transport, the London Transport Executive said yesterday that demand was decreasing while costs in-

Sir Peter Masefield, chair-man of the executive, told the committee that pasenger traffic had fallen by a million in the past 10 years. The reasons weren greater use of private cars, a falling population and

fewer tourists. After talking of Paris, where demand for public transport-was increasing because of lower fares. Sir Peter said he was growing market for travel.

When asked whether he was seeking bigger subsidies, he said that: Paris was expanding its underground railway system. "Sadly for us, we have no new Underground projects under way. I would like to see a policy for London in which we would dig at least two miles of new Underground a year"

Sir Peter said that whereas London Transport had to meet 70 per cent of expenditure from fares, Paris met only 34 per cent and New York 28 per

The managing director of London Transport's railway division, Dr T. M. Ridley, told. the committee that successful public transport systems such as those in Hongkong, Paris and Newcastle upon Tyne, had one thing in common.
There is a united and

wholehearted commitment to public transport which does not exist in London. The total community commitment is neces sary to the wellbeing of the community, and that does not exist in London."

One of the main reasons for the declining use of London buses, Sir Peter told the committee, was traffic congestion. The scheduled bus speed on weekdays was declining year by year. It was now only 11mph.

#### Ben Nevis search

A search will be started at first light today for Mr John Mercer, aged 26, of Tredgold Crescent, and Mr Geoffrey. Hills, aged 22, of Holtfarm Road, both Leeds, after a helicopter search failed to find had doubled compared with the them yesterday on Ben Nevis. same period last year.

#### BR may set-up body to run southern lines

By John Young Planning Reporter

The possibility of a separate board to manage British Rail's Southern Region, particularly its London commuter services, is under consideration, Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Transport, said last

Speaking to The New Stan-dard Commuter Club in Lon-don, Mr Fowler said that he and Six Peter Parker, BR's chairman, agreed that clearer accountability was needed for the operation of commuter services. Commuters wanted a body that they could identify as being directly responsible. At present the only such body was the British Railways Board,

whose responsibility was for all railway operations. That meant that London commuters could not see how far the fares they not despondent. The prediction paid represented the cost of of a 25 per cent market share; providing services, or how much be said, was 25 per cent of a of the government's public allocated to them.

"A separate board for Southern Region services would go a long way towards creating ting some of its loss-making an accountable management freight services.

#### 'Niggardly' cash | Teachers' unions support for say 4pc pay offer is 'insulting' buses attacked By Our Planning Reporter

Government support for the Government support for the British bus and coach industry was niggardly compared with that given to other European operators, Mr Ronald Whittle, president of the Confederation of British Road Passenger Transport, said last night.

When billions of pounds was being handed out to British Steel, BL and British Rail, it was right that the industry should look for some crumbs from the table, he told the confederation's annual dinner in

London.
"We know that public transport has been chronically short of investment in recent years, but when will the Government and the public wake up to the fact that we carry 10 times more passengers than British Rail? Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Transport, claimed earlier yesterday that the liftdistance coach services had had effect. More than 100 new ex press services had developed, and another 100 were due to

start in the spring or summer.
The number of passengers
using Victoria coach station

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businessmen wishing to learn about large scale protection of

unit with a clear responsibility for the greater part of BR's London commuter services ", he said.

The grant to BR, covering both passenger and freight ser-vices, is £678m in this financial

Because of the complexity of its network and operations, Southern Region's costs have always been harder to identify than those of other regions, and it is frequently claimed that it does not receive its fair share of subsidy.

The Government does not believe that the possible diver-sion of a larger share of the grant to the South-east would endanger passenger services

Despite fears, of further drastic cuts, Mr Fowler insists that he has no intention of letting rural services disappear and that the emphasis will be on making them cheaper to run and more efficient.

Party leader, delivered in Surst soul of Mr Wedgwood Benn to a meeting of the Shadow Cabinet last night.

The argument centred on the

The feeling among ministers is that if BR needs to make savings it should consider cut-

By Our Education Correspondent:

Yesterday's 4 per cent pay offer by local authorities to 470,000 teachers in England and Wales was described as "ridicu-lous and insulring" by union leaders and has been rejected out of hand. The teachers have put in a claim for 15 per cent

from April 1. Mr Fred Jarvis, leader of the ham Committee, the national negotiating body on teachers' pay, said that the 4 per cent offer bore no relation to what was happening anywhere else in the nubble sector.

in the public sector. He was evidently relieved, however, that the employers had made no attempt to the any agreement on teachers' conditions of service to a pay rise or made any mention of rise, or made any mention of last year's alleged "error" by the Clegg commission on pay comparability which resulted in teachers getting 4 per cent more than the commission had

Representatives of the 70,000 teachers and lecturers in Scor-land are to meet the Scottish local authorities today to con-linue their pay negotiations. The teachers have rejected an opening offer of 6 per cent:

Commission of Human Rights

in Strasbourg against a decision in the Court of Appeal yester-

authorities for allegedly keep-

ing him in hospital unlawfully.

This is the second case to go to Europe challenging that section of the Mental Health

Act, 1959, which prevents patients from suing the health

service. Both cases are being

taken by MIND, the mental health charity. The first one was reported in *The Times* on December 23 last.

The Court of Appeal, with

Lord Justice Lawton presiding, yesterday dismissed an appeal brought by Mr Samuel Kynas-

ton, of Florence Street, St Helens, Merseyside, against a decision that he could not sue

the Home Secretary.
Section 141 of the Mental



He states: "It may be that noise of the parliamentary NEC Mr Frank Field: "Not asking members has Militant cells in for a witch hunt".

MrBenn's plea to party Manchester

would be wrong for minority

views to go from the Shadow

Cabinet to the parliamentary party. He also dismissed Mr Benn's technical argument that

he was not a frontbeuch spokes-

man and had been elected by

The Shadow Cabinet accepted

a motion from Mr Peter Shore,

spokesman on Treasury affairs, who proposed that the PLP should be given half of the

Although Mr Foot does not

take votes in the Shadow Cabi-

net, there was overwhelming support for the proposal, which

will now be recommended to

the parliamentary party.
The PLP will undoubtedly

accept it, and with the trade

unions moving away from the special conference decision, it

is possible that it will be car-

ried by the annual party con-ference in October.

vote.

mission to every MP and constituency party and invite

The submission of the Miliorder to add to the information tant Tendency was one of a the range of the NEC has, its meeting next number which the NEC rewednesday should be asked to quested from fringe organizageneral man send copies of the Militant subtions; it was circulated to meetings."

ber, and was disclosed in The

Mr Field says in his letter:
"By asking the NEC to act in
this way I am not asking for a mitch hunt against individuals. I believe that every single Militant member in my constituency has a right to be a member of the local Labour Party. But they do not have the right to organize as a party

within a party,

"If the NEC would summor up the courage to act on this issue I think many Militant supporters would opt for single membership of the party. I am sure others would think differently and wish to conduct their campaign for Militancy outside the party."

Mr Field also draws attention to the fact that "there are other revolutionary groups who are now coming back into the party in a true mole-like fashion. He says that con-stituency parties see this in the range of revolutionary newspapers sold at the end general management committee

gets Claude

masterpiece

By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent

The Manchester City Art

Gallery has acquired one of the greatest paintings by Claude Lorrain (1600-1682), the French

painting. It has come through

a private sale from the Morri

son collection and is entitled

of the Golden Caif'

ment.

Landscape with the Adoration

Until recently the Morrison

collection was one of the most

important private collections of Old Master paintings in Europe.

The pictures are held by a family trust known as the

Waher Morrison Picture Settle-

There has, however, been a

steady erosion in recent years.

#### Callaghan view sought on dinner snub hilarity and embarrassment among Labour MPs in reaction By Fred Emery Political Editor to the disclosure in The Times

An appeal has been made to Mr James Callaghan to indicate whether he approves of Mr Michael Foot's exclusion of Mrs Shirley Williams, Mr William Rodgers, MP, and Dr David Owen, MP, from a dinner being given for him tonight by his former senior colleagues. Mr Callaghan kept his silence

esterday. Labour's so called gang of three", it is now learnt, challenged Mr Foot on Tuesday to say whether it was Mr Callaghan's wish to have them excluded. They also apparently sought to get in touch with Mr Callaghan, but failed, as did reporters who rang his office at the Commons.

In a letter to Mr Foot, exclaiming how "offensive" he had found the exclusion, Mr Rodgers declared of Mr Callag-han: "I would like to think that he has not placed a ban on me for Thursday. It is not the sort of intolerance with which he has been associated." It was learnt that Mr Edmund Dell, who had not been "dis-invited" by Mr Foot, will not be attending.

Social Democracy. He had not incurred Mr Foot's displeasure because he had not been deemed to have been actively to mark the occasion in their against campaining Labour Party.

There was astonishment, mark of their esteem.

sent a cheque. But yesterday she made clear that had it wo He was another of Mr been for the last two days the Callaghan's former Cabinet would certainly have been in colleagues who had declared his support for the Council for confirm both her attendance been for the last two days she and her payment.

ments.

Dr Owen said yesterday that the own way. They would be send-ing Mr Callaghan a gift as a

## Call to keep pay formula

By Our Labour Staff The local authorities' decision

to withdraw from the firemen's 1978 pay agreement came under attack last night. Mr Jack Smart, chairman of the Association of Metropolitan Authorities, said the decision

worked for the honouring of the agreement, "which was de signed to end confrontations

over the pay of those viz public servants". He added that the agreemen did not provide index linkin "in the normal sense". I simply related firemen's pay t that of other "similar wor people" and if the level o wage increases fell, so too woul

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## Mr Foot told him that it

tary party.

Continued from page 1 already been rejected by the nine unions involved, who are in the final stages of planning Despite last night's cash limit

cent.

Delegates representing the hospital ancilliary workers are due to meet tomorrow and will offer which would bring them at least into line with the local authority manual workers who

shown that they acted in bad

faith or without reasonable

to show that the Home Secre-

tary had acted in bad faith or

without reasonable care. Whether he had substantial

grounds for alleging that he

was unlawfully detained in

Mr Larry Gostin, legal direc-tor of MIND, said it was vital

that anyone who was locked up should be able to challenge that

detention in a court of law.

only was that principle violated in that the patient had no re-

course to the courts while in

hospital, but it had also been

breached because he cannot

In Mr Kynasion's case not

Park Lane was irrelevant.

Former Broadmoor patient

By Lucy Hodges Health Act says that no one is A former Broadmoor patient, liable to proceedings in respect

who was later transferred to of anything done in pursuance Park Lane special hospital, is of the Act unless it can be to appeal to the European shown that they acted in bad

in the Court of Appeal yester The Court of Appeal said day that he cannot sue the Mr Kynaston had been unable

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to appeal to Strasbourg

Civil servants expect 7.5%

announcement it was confi-dently expected in union circles that the Government would increase its offer to about 7! per

Union pegotiators have been called in to see Lord Soames, Lord President and minister re-sponsible for the Civil Service, on Monday, but it was not clear last night how the Government would attempt to accommodate an increased offer within the

settled for a 7.5 per cent in-

The extra 1.5 per cent is to be funded out of the rates, and as a similar recouping of the extra cost is not open to the National Health Service, union leaders were pessimistic last night about the possibility of an improvement in the offer.

Mr Ronald Keating, assistant general secretary of the National Union of Public Employees, most of whose mem-bers will be covered by the cash limit, said last night: "I regard the announcement as a prescription for conflict and demoralization in the National

Health Service
A final decision on whether to proceed with industrial action is to be taken next Thursday. The campaign will begin with a one-day national strike, probably on March 5.

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#### New department for juvenile iustice proposed

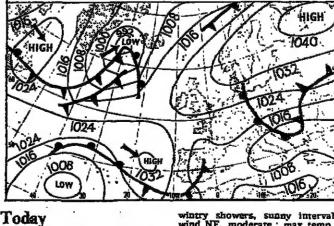
By a Staff Reporter A new department of the Home Office to deal with young offenders is proposed in a booklet published today by an independent group of probation workers.

There is no hope of creating effective provision for juvenile offenders while responsibility is divided between local authorities, the prison department of the Home Office and the probation and aftercare services, it

A new juvenile justice depart-ment of the Home Office should be created to deal with poth custodial and community-based provision, with the task of developing imaginative non-custodial measures for juvenile offenders.

#### The Claude was acquired through the agency of Col-naghi's, the Bond Street dealers. to abandon the formula linking firemen's earnings with those of skilled manual workers was Its market valuation was set at £625,000, but after various "premature". people" and if tax deductions the gallery was required to pay only £253,956. unlike the employers' body is

# Weather forecast and recordings



wind NE, moderate; max temp 3° Sun rises: -7.07 am Sun sets: or 4°C (37"-39°F). W Midlands, N Wales, NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man, land, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Argyll. N Ireland: Sunny periods, frost early and late; wind mainly E, light; max temp 5°C (41°F).

SW England, S Wales: Wintry showers at first, becoming mainly dry with sunny periods; wind mainly NE, light; max temp 6°C (43°F).

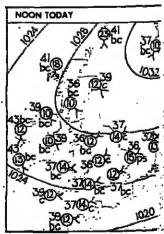
Moray Firth, NE and NW Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Sunny intervals; wind mainly S, moderate; max temp 5°C (41°F). Moon sets : Moons rises : 7.33 am 6.02 pm Last quarter : February 27. Last quarter: February 27.
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am, 7.0m; 2.29 pm, 7.2m. Avonmouth, 7.37 am, 13.3m; 8.02 pm,
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7.1m; 6.50 pm, 7.5m. Liverpool,
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WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY : c, cloud ; f, fair ; r,





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#### Yesterday

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Fair Play! A balanced approach to juvenile justice (Sheila Himmel. 1st floor, 26 The Broadway, London, SW19, £1).

A ridge of high pressure ex-tends over Britain from an anticyclone over Scandinavia. Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:

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#### Prime Minister to avert strike

By Fred Emery Political Editor

The desperate wish to avert a coal strike was the paramount consideration for Mrs Margaret Thatcher in agreeing, in sudden reversal of her stated policy, to consider giving extra money to the coal board.

That was frankly acknow-ledged last night in government quarters, where it was accepted that explaining the difference between a prudent adjustment and a climbdown could pose severe difficulties.

Only eight days and the Prime Minister bad insisted that there would be no change and no intervention. At Commons question time site stated:
"We have fixed the amount "We have fixed the amount available for the industry. It is for the management of the National Coal Board to make the arrangement and we shall stand by those arrangements."

Mr David Howell, Secretary of State for Energy, said last night on ITN's News at Ten: Total inflexibility does not fit n with real life." He was defending the change of plan. After last night's meeting it

is implicit that the £886m cash limit for next year will rise, although it was denied that it would be a big increase. There were Opposition jeers

last night at the Government climbdown. Mr John Grant, frontbench spokesman on em-ployment, said that it was a

#### Main aim of Some miners sceptical of closures retreat

By Richard Ford

The mood was mixed among miners at pits and social clabs last night when they heard of the National Coal Board decision not to go ahead with the closures plan. Many of them feared that they would eventually be sold out.

So high is the mistrust of government and board motives that miners were saying that

government and board motives that miners were saying that the plan had just been postponed for another year.

Some, however, were more jubilant. At Manor colliery, near Wakefield, which had been on the closure list, Mr Peter Watkiss, NUM branch secretary, said that the men had grins from ear to ear.

"Many can hardly believe it, I think it is a bit of, a reward for what we have done

reward for what we have done over the past few years. We have been producing more coal, we have lost men through pit closure, and absenteeism has dropped tremendously."

He said he thought the men had shown the board they were united on the issue. "It think the Government and the board the Government and the board have had a bit of a shock at our mood, and even some of Mrs Thatcher's backbenchers

have obviously been worrying about what was developing about what was developing am-At Hucknall, in Nortingham-shire, Mr "Nobby " White urged caution on miners. He feared the board might have something up its sleeve which it would reveal at a later date.
"I am not celebrating yet and
I will want to wait and see

what our national leaders say before I think it is a good deal." "Clear victory": Mr Joseph Whelan, general secretary of

Nottinghamshire's 34,000 miners, said last night: "It is clear
victory for the National Union
of Mineworkers and a total
defeat for the Government and
the coal board. The lady said
she was not for rurning but now
she has become an expert in
doing double somersaults".
(Our Nottingham Correspondent,
writes). WTHES). .

"I am not really surprised at the news". Mr Whelan said. "We would have had the sur-port of other trade unions and we would have intensified the picketing. That would probably bave brought us into conflict with the law.

"There would not have been enough room in t he jails in the land for all the miners who would go there. The Government have sayed themselves the embarrassment of this situa-

Kent fears: In Kent, where miners had walked out, there were expressions of scepticism about the result of the talks and the apparent speed with which the coal board and the Government altered course (a Staff Reporter writes).

Mr Henry Garling, branch official, said: "I want to look at the small print very carefully, as my worry is that we could be in the same position in 1982. We have been through all this now. We certainly do not want to go all through it in a vear's time."

Strike goes on: Orgreave col-lery, at Sheffield, one of the South Yorkshire pits scheduled for closure, decided last night to start strike action as planned (Our Sheffield Corres-





Mr David Howell, Secretary of State for Energy, Mr Joseph Gornley, president of the National Union of Mineworkers, and Sir Derek Ezra, chairman of the National Coal Board (right), outside the Department of Energy after the board

## South Wales jubilant at saving of 2,800 jobs

From Tim Jones

Miners throughout the South Wales coalfield were jubilant last night as news of the National Coal Board's apparent retreat spread throughout the

mining communities.
At Coegnant colliery, whose miners spearheaded the attack against the closure programme by walking out on unofficial strike last Saturday, Mr Verdon-Price; the lodge secretary, said: "Thank God that commonseuse

has won the day. We did not want to bring the Government down but we were determined to light for our jobs. Job security means more than anything."

Mr Terence Thomas, the miners' agent for west Wales, said: "My initial reaction is one of extreme pleasure. Com-

monsense has prevailed. If we have saved the 2,800 jobs threatened in the South Wales threatened in the South Wales although more slowly. coalfield then I am delighted." "Mrs Thatcher's tactic now But miners were last night will be to try to buy us off, but told to maintain their pickets we will not fall for it. It is all

until told officially by the National Union of Mineworkers' executive to end their strike

At Britannia colliery, in Gwent, where 511 jobs were to go, Mr Thomas Bowden, the lodge secretary, said: "The strike will probably be called off. But I am worried that the closures will still take place,

coal, but that is like relying on oil from the Arabs in the 1960s." Scottish reaction: In Scotland. where it had been announced that three pits were to close, a miners' official at Carduwan. near Glasgow, the largest of the three, said the men were delighted with the withdrawal of the closure plan, but would not be calling off their strike until the special delegates' con-ference in Edinburgh tomorrow. nerve Sir Angus Maude, the former Paymaster General, yesterday urged the Government to stick to its unpopular policies and. not to lose its nerve. He warned the Conservative Party to keep. off the middle ground of poli-Sir Angus's speech to a party

Maude plea

to Tories

not to lose

meeting in Ruislip contrasted with recent statements by Mr Francis Pym, who took over his post as the Government's head of information, by Lord Thorneycroft, the party chairman, and by Mr Norman St. John-Stevas, the former Leader.

of the House.
All three had insisted that the Conservatives were the real centre party, and said that the Government's economic strategy must be adjusted to take account of mounting unemploy-

Sir Angus said yesterday: "I hope the Conservative Party is not beginning to lose its nerve. If it is, then the prospects for Britain, and particularly for industry and jobs, are gloomy

indeed. The first sign of a loss of nerve was talk about the need to occupy "the middle ground". He said: "They are doing it

If the social democrats were allowed to become established, they would seek ground to the left of centre to occupy. "If Conservatives try to compete for that territory they will lose, not gain, votes ", Sir Angus said.

#### Stockpiling has some weaknesses

#### Power stations face bigger threat from water strike

By Peter Hennessy

coal-burning stations, the backbone of the part of routine contingency national grid, could have with planning are fuel oil, needed stood a siege of picketing miners for between eight and ten weeks had a national coal strike occurred.

The power supply industry is much more worried about the prospect of a national water strike. Should water supplies be cut off, power stations would be affected swiftly and output could be drastically reduced within two to three weeks.

To feed its boilers, a large coal-burning power station needs a very pure supply, far purer than drinking water. To achieve the necessary quality mains water is treated on site. Chlorine is one of the essential supplies stockpiled.

Since the national miners' strike of 1972, when the sent flying pickets to power stations up and down the coun-try with great effect, strategic supplies have been stockpiled. and kept on site to enable power stations to hold out for

tyro months-Slack demand this winter caused by the recession has meant that many of the 2,000megawatt stations are operating only three of their four turbines and the period of self-m sufficiency could be stretched

to set up.

Local Government

Leading members of the Lebour Party in local govern-ment are to launch an associa-tion of Labour councillors on

March 2 with the object of giv-

strategic reserve sustained as a for damping down and restart ing furnaces, oxy-acetylene for maintenance staff, and hydrogen, required for cooling activators.

Hydrogen proved especially vulnerable to picketing miners in 1972. Since then it has been the policy of the Central Electricity Generating Board to install equipment for producing hydrogen on site.

The board could have made its coal supplies last even longer in a protracted miners' strike by making more intensive use of its oil-burning stations, many of which are working at half load because of reduced demand.

In the recent past coal reserves in the power stations have been below the eight-week level at this time of the year. But thanks to the recession and good deliveries from the coal-fields, the electricity board has hold out against industrial action by workers outside the electricity supply industry, electricity supply industry, with the exception of the water

The board's position is far stronger than in February, 1972. Contingency plans were revised after the miners' strike nine years ago.

#### Radical changes Labour councils proposed in hospital staffing new policy group By a Staff Reporter

Proposals for radical changes in the bospital staffing struc-ture were put by doctors yester-day to the Commons select Committee on Social Services. The proposals, from the Joint Consultants Committee, would lead to quotas being set by the Department of Health on the number of registrars health authorities could appoint in

ing councillors a greater say in parry policy and to coordinate the efforts of Labour groups in opposition to government's over-subscribed specialties such as general medicine and At a meeting at Blackpool last weekend during the Labour party local government confersurgery. More consultants would be appointed in these fields, with ence a group of settion coun-cillors rejected any proposals to bind candidates for council fewer junior staff under them,

elections by loyalty oaths.
They also stated that policy
differences should be settled ing more training posts for junior doctors in under-sub junior doctors in under-sub-scribed specialities such as within the party and that "to leave the party if one loses the argument is defeatist as well as divisions" pathology, radiology and some branches of psychiatry.

Competition for posts for training in surgery and other popular specialties was exces-

as divisive."

Mr Jack Smart, chairman of the Association of Metropolitan Authorities, one of the instigators of the new association, said vesterday that the response had been tremendous, and that more than 70 authorities had made firm commitments to join. sive and leading to an unaccept able level of wastage, the com-mirree, which is investigating medical education, was told. For some posts there were as many as 80 applicants.

It was also told that too many firm commitments to join. He added that it was not an organization of moderates. "It

junior training posts had too great a service commitment to is a Labour Party organization. It is neither right nor left. the National Health Service and provided too little training. "We are going to stay in the Overseas doctors, who make up a large proportion of junior hospital staff, suffered particularly, filling posts with poor training facilities and having little likelihood of receiving party, but we are trying to demonstrate that we are not going to be puppets of the local Labour parties. We want to emphasise that we will act responsibly and fight for the party."

further training. The consultants committee on the numbers of overseas dctors to ensure that they re-

was being formed because of lack of support to Labour coun-cils and groups fro rathe party's ceived proper training. Such doctors should national executive committee and the regional and local gov-eroment subcommittee between September, 1979, and February make arrangements to have a

## Forces' strength still rising

but shortages of suitable candidates in certain key categories are a cause for concern, the Ministry of Defence said yester-

party."
Mr Smart said the association

in spite of a high level of applications there were short-ages of Royal Navy full-career

The total strength of the tive (education), general ground Armed Forces continues to rise duties and medical branches.

duties and medical branches.
At the end of last December there were 333,915, men and women in the Services, 13,000 more than at March 31, 1980.

The Royal Navy's strength at the end of December was 65,798, which was 1,500 higher than at December 31, 1979; the Army's 167,311 (8,000 higher than in engineer officers and seamen and RAF officer entrants to havigator, engineer, administra-

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## Early warning system proposed to detect hazardous chemicals

The chemicals industry was strongly critical of a proposal issued by the Health and Safety Commission yesterday for a statutory early warning system to detect health hazards from new substances.

The recommendation, contained in a consultative document, would require central norification of new chemicals before they were placed on the market.

Mr Ray Grainger, head of the public affairs directorate of the Chemical Industries Association, said that the proposals jeopardize British industry. The requirements, he said, went further than those of an EEC directive to be en-

forced by the end of the year. The purpose of the proposed system is to obtain information about materials marketed in quantities of one tonne or more

Additional provisions would cover intermediate compounds used in the manufacture of such products as pesticides, plastics

Some of the worst examples of pollution have been caused by the release of such agents, formed temporarily during a reaction. The most infamous is perhaps the dioxin that contaminated Seveso, in Italy.

The consultative document says that the production of synthetic organic chemical compounds rose from seven million tonnes in 1950 to about 63 million tonnes in 1977.

The variety of chemical agents being made is not known with accuracy; estimates are of 20,000 to 30,000 compounds manufactured in amounts exceeding one tonne a year.

The early warning system would be restricted to new pro-ducts. An estimate of £45,000 at present prices is put on the costs of laboratory testing needed to satisfy the notification procedure. Manufacturers and importers would have to test all new substances they intended to sell in Britain.

A minimum package of data would be required by the Health and Safety Executive, relating to scale of manufacture, usage and properties of each substance, at least 45 days before a formulation was placed

The company would be free to select the methods of testing, provided they met the standards of the safety authorities.

A set of codes of practice are suggested setting out test methods that include procedures for determining not only properties such as acute and chronic mammalian roxicity, irritancy, teratogenicity and carcinogenicity (agents likely to cause birth defects

The suggested regulations would give an early warning to the Health and Safety Executive and to the Department of the Environment about threats (Stationary Office, 52.50).

#### Labour wants to give wider access to Ombudsman

By a Staff Reporter
A one-clause Bill going through the House of Commons is causing friction between the two main parties because of the Opposition's policy on race relations and immigration.

The Parliamentary Commissioner [Consular Complaints]
Bill states that only those people with a right of abode in Britain may complain to the Parliamentary Commissioner (Ombudsman) about consular matters.

The Labour Party said yester-day that it would be putting down an amendment to extend that right of appeal to some people outside Britain.

The difficulty as Mr Roland Moyle, a Labour spokesman on foreign affairs, sees it, is that under the Bill only patrials, those people in Australia, New Zealand and Canada with a

Britain, can take complaints to the Ombudsman. That group is mainly white.

But the Bill does not allow East African Asians and those in the Indian subcontinent with citizenship of the United King-dom and colonies that right of

The former Labour govern-ment supported the Bill, but the Labour Opposition says it

The Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner said in 1977 that British citizens outside the United Kingdom should be able to complain to the Ombudsman. Yesterday the Conservatives said that if the Bill was extended there would be many more complaints to the Ombudsman.

#### MPs uphold demand for notice of marches

By Frances Gibb A controversial clause in the Greater Manchester Bill which makes it a criminal offence for organizers of marches not to give the police 72 hours' notice has been upheld by a Commons committee of MPs.

The MPs, under the chair-manship of Mr Michael Hamil-

ton, Conservative member for Salisbury, ruled yesterday after two-day hearing of arguments from its promoters and oppo-nents that the clause should stay in the Bill.

The Bill is being put forward by the Conservative controlled Greater Manchester Council and the chief supporter of the clause, which also allows for demonstrations provided they are notified as. soon as is reasonably possible, is Mr James Anderton, Chief Constable of Greater Man-

The National Council for Civil Liberties, which led opposition to the clause from 16 MPs and 16 community groups, including Manchester Trades Council and Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council, said yesterday: "It is a sad day for peaceful protests and the right to demonstrate in Manchester." Manchester ".

The Commons committee overruled objections from all the groups, who had argued that a new criminal offence was unnecessary in practice and wrong in principle. An issue as important as public order should be considered as national legislation rather than in a local bill,

they said.

In the House of Lords the clause, originally requiring seven days' notice, was amended to 72 hours, and it will now proceed as part of the Bill through the Commons.

Mr Stanley Orme, Labour MP for Salford, West, and one of the chief opponents, told the committee yesterday: "I am extremely concerned that we are getting legislation in different forms in this country through private Bills, with some notice requirements of seven notice requirements of seven days, some three, some 24 hours, at the pressure of the chief constables. He could not think of a single

instance of serious public dis-order at marches that could have been prevented by giving 72 hours' notice. The Home Office told the committee that a national code

of practice on notice requirements for marches was being considered

considered

A code of practice is contained in the Greater Manchester Bill, which opponents argued would place marchers under the burden of baving to supply to police a great deal of detailed information. The code of practice, they said, would be seen as having the status of law.



Mr Harold Macmillan holding one of the 20 volumes of the "New Grove Dictionary of Music and Musicians", which is published today after 12 years of work. Each set costs £850. Review, page 12.

From a Staff Reporter

The Welsh Office is to consider raking legal action to try

to recover more than £7m it is

spending on repairs to one of Britain's most modern hos-

#### **New Front** protest against IRA

Mr Patrick Hamill, Strath-clyde's Chief Constable, has given permission for the New National Front to hold a march in Glasgow on Saturday. On that day the Scottish Council of the Labour Party will march against unemployment.

Mrs Isobel Skimer, the organization's Glasgow secretary, said yesterday that the New National Front was a completely different organization, with changed policies from the National Front. "It has a much stronger moral fibre", she said.

"The march is a protest against the IRA. It will have a double slogan—'Smash the IRA' and 'Ulster is British for

The Labour march will be led by Mr Michael Foot, the party leader, and is expected to draw about 20,000 people.

#### The University Hospital of Wales, at Heath Park, Cardiff, opened by the Queen 10 years ago, was Europe's first fully integrated hospital and medical school. It cost £22m. Three years ago it was dis-covered that large mosaic slabs on the seven-storey main block were loose. The work on them

Legal move over £7m

repairs to hospital

The main contractors inhas just been completed at a

revealed that a much larger re-storation programme is to be carried out to save the building from deterioration. The work is needed becaus steel rods which reinforce the structure are in many places too close to the concrete surface, leading to serious corrosion. In some places the concrete is crumbling.

The Welsh Office has now

Work on two blocks of nurses' flats and one ward in the hospital, which has 836 beds, is to be started as soon as

volved in the construction of the hospital, F. G. Minter, has gone into liquidation.

## Study shows widening gap in pupils' ability

Education Correspondent

Evidence that the big gap between the reading attainment of pupils of West Indian origin and white British pupils gets wider as the children move up through the school system comes in a report published today in the journal of the National Foundation for Educational Research.

The report, by Christine Mabey, of the Inner London. Education Authority's research or had only one parent. longitudinal study involving some 1,500 West Indian pupils, 12,500 white British pupils and 1,300 other non-British pupils in inner London schools. in inner London schools, to whom standardized reading tests were given at the ages of 8, 10 and 15.

white British pupils and also lower than the score for all other ethnic groups, save Greek and Turkish Cypriots. The national average score for the test is 100.

By the age of 15 the score for

four points to 95.

It had been noticed that immigrant children who had started school in Britain at five or younger had markedly higher attainment than those who were

It was therefore hypothesized that the longer the education in this country, the greater the improvement that would be Mge (

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found. That was not the case for West Indian pupils, how-On all the indicators collected. West Indian pupils emerged as very socially deprived. Their parents were overwhelmingly in working

families that were large, poor, social and educational disadvantage with which they had to

class occupations, and a dis-proportionate number were in

However, the report says that The mean reading test the low attrainment of West score of West Indian pupils at Indian pupils could not be the age of eight was 88, 10 entirely "explained" by their points behind the score for home and school backgrounds. home and school backgrounds. Even when the scores were adjusted to take account of such factors, nearly half the 10point difference between West Indian and indigenous white pupils remained unaccounted for.

West Indian pupils had fallen to 86, while that for all other groups, including the white British children, had either remained about the same or had improved slightly. The score for Pakistani children had jumped for a paint to 95. Teachers' perceptions of West Indian and indigenous relations with other pupils and teachers, and as baving a good attitude to school work.

The report points out that for most children the broad level of attainment was settled by the age of eight.

#### Police stop Labour MPs' protest outside Parliament

A demonstration by Labour great attention to what they MPs protesting at government said and thanked them for nousing policy was split up by he police outside Parliament The MPs, including Mr David MPs protesting at government housing policy was split up by the police outside Parliament

yesterday.

The MPs, who had banners, and placards, were told by the police that demonstrations around the Palace of Westminster were restricted under a protest.

Ennals and Mr Eric Hefter, marched less than a mile from the Commons to the Department of the Environment, where they handed in letters of protest.

Their placards showed house

Inspector Derek Bradburn asked about sixty MPs to take their placards down and continue the march "in small

by-law.

Their placards showed hous-ing cuts and the number of people on housing lists in their

constituencies. Mr Frank Allaun, MP for Salford, East, and chairman of

groups."

Mr Gerald Kaufman, MP for Labour's housing subcommittee, said: "The misery that has been caused by the cuts is due not to the town hall but to whitehall, and the idea of this to draw attention to rion about demonstrations in protest is to draw attention to the vicinity of the House of the real guilty men, particularly Commons, so naturally we paid the guilty man, Mr Heseltine.

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#### Tenants storm meeting and nait rent rises

Proposed rent rises of £3.80 a week were halted when 300 council tenants stormed a meet-ing of Nottinghamshire County Council at Newark yesterday. Their interruptions prevented a vote on the increases. 40 per cent rise: Council rents in the Rother district of Sussex will rise by 40 per cent in April. Tenants will pay from £1.74 to £4.53 a week more. The average rise will be about £3.16.

Campaign to end rickets among Asians shortage of vitamin D, is rare min D, to drink milk and eat

paign yesterday intended to eradicate rickets among Asians in the United Kingdom. Between 5 and 10 per cent of the 900,000 Asians in Britain are estimated to suffer from rickets. or the adult form of the disease, osteomalacia. In children it can delay walking, lead to bowed legs and swollen wrists, and in adults backache and brittle

bones. The disease, caused by a

Launching the £70,000 campaign, in conjunction with the Save the Children Fund, and

support from leaders of Britain's Asian community, Dr Gerard Vaughan, Minister for Health, said he was determined that the disease should be eradi-cated. This is a completely preventable disease, but a serious one", he said. . Asians will be urged to spend

more time in sunshine, from which the body can make vita-

at the press conference by Mr Fazal Awan, president of the Standing Conference of Pakistani Organizations, to take action to ensure that Asians felt secure to go outside. Dr Vaughan said that there was a general difficulty of safety and security in the home. "Certainly we regard this very seriously."

## Only 40% of babies are fully immunized, report says

From Arthur Osman

eggs, cheese, butter, margarine and fatty fish, such as herring and tuna.

Dr Vaughan was challenged

The Central Birmingnam of the challenge.

Commissioned a study into "There are potentially tragic commissioned a study into "There are potentially tragic parents" perceptions of child consequences if any of the basic elements of prevention to the challenge.

of children who are fully children may get them.
immunized and fully screened . Parents were saled.

wanspeck District Council v Charlton and Another Before Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Eveleigh and Lord Justice Fox

Section 33(2) of the Housing Act, 1980, empowers the Secretary of State for the Environment to make regulations to determine the

form of notice to be served on a secure tenant under section 33(1) of the Act. and the Secure Tenancies (Notices) Regulations 1980 (SI 1980 No 1339), which came into operation on September 5, 1980, are valid.

The Court of Appeal allowed an appeal by Wansbeck District Council against an order made by Judge Lyall Wilkes at Blyth County Court on January 22 holding that the Secretary of State for the Environment had no power to make the regulations and that the county court had no jurisdiction to hear the council's application for possession of a council house

no near the council's application for possession of a council house in East Green, Choppington, Northumberland, let by the council to the defendants, Mr Frederick Charlton and Mrs Jacqueine Charlton, whose occupancy was a secure tenancy within the meaning of section 28 of the Housing Act, 1980.

Birmingham children could do better as far child development. Results though the numbers in our children could do better as far child development. Results though the numbers in our children could do better as far child development. Results though the numbers in our children could health services go. In were analysed by social class, study are small the finding are highly suggestive of a frequency of the whole population was confound to the whole population was confound to the postnatal appointment and time dutted we would be surprised of first antenatal attendance. fully immunized and screened by the time they were a year old, it was suggested in a Community Health Council report in Birmingham yesterday.

The Central Birmingham a year old. That is the nature of the challenge.

The Central Ce

health services in two contras-ting areas of the city, the outer and surveillance are missed ents to suburb of Quinton and the TB, polio, diptheria, tetanus advice, inner area of Small Heath. and whooping cough are still "Furt The report stated: "Our potentially disabling or fatal seems to

tenancy . . unless the landlord has served on the tenant a notice complying with the

provisions of this section

. . (2) A notice under this
section must be in a form prescribed by regulations made by

the Secretary of State and must specify the ground on which the court will be asked to make an order for the possession of the

dwelling-house . . and give par-ticulars of that ground." Section 151(1) reads: "Any power of the Secretary of State

to make an order or regulations under this Act shall be exercisable

under this Act shall be exercisable by statutory instrument subject, except in the case of regulations under section 22(1), 33(2), 52(3), 56(7) or paragraph 11 of Schedule 3 or an order under section 52(4), 50 or 153, to annulment in pursu-ance of a resolution of either House of Parliament."

Mr Alexander Kennedy, QC, and Mr Paul Benfield for the council:

Mr Paul Benfield for the council; Mr Simon D. Brown as amicus

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that before the Housing Act,

## confidence that 6 out of 10 zations and other aspects of the health of the child, Even

may be the 'proper' place for such discussions, but our evidence suggests that many parents look to their GP for

"Furthermore our study seems to show that those who are most vulnerable rely most the health care system: have is small, and even on the basis family doctor services, care for least opportunity to discuss of our limited sample we can the antenatal, birth and post- their child's health; and are of our limited sample we can the antenatal, birth and post- their child's health; and are to improsay with 99 per cent statistical natal periods, common immuni- most likely to be worried about services.

the Act was to give security tenure to public sector tenants.

Consequent upon section 33(2) the Secretary of State made the Secure Tenancies (Notices) Regu-lations, 1980.

Having given notice to the defendants the council had taken possession proceedings. The judge had said that section 33(2) did not

expressly give power to the Secre-tary of State to make regulations: it did so only by implication and that was not sufficient. He said that the statute should have said that the Secretary of State was

empowered to make regulations; and that whether he was right or

wrong, it was essential that a higher court should pronounce on

Section 33 provides: "(1) The court shall not entertain proceedings for the possession of a dwelling-bouse let under a secure terrore.

are highly suggestive of a fragile situation. There can surely be no clearer argument for the full involvement of GPs in planning and delivering child health services."
Mr Steven Burkeman, the

clearly shows that in central Birmingham at least there is a long way to go before child health services are up to the mark set for them by the report of the committee chaired by Professor Donald Court. We believe that health authorities from Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State, downwards should look closely at what can be done to provide the resources to improve local child health

Court of Appeal

#### Law Report February 18 1981

## No bad faith by Home Secretary

Kynaston v Secretary of State for Home Affairs and Another Before Lord Justice Lawton, Lord Justice Eveleigh and Sir David

Where a patient had been de-teined in a mental hospital under orders made pursuant to sections 60 and 65 of the Mental Health or and as of the Mental Health Act, 1959, and there was an opinion from the advisory board that he remained a manipulative psychopath incapable of learning from experience, there were good and sound reasons why the Home Secretary declined to consent to an absolute discharge notwith-standing that the patient's respon-sible medical officer had stated that he was no longer suffering from mental disorder.

Their Lordships dismissed an appeal by the applicant, Mr Samuel Vaughan Kynaston, now living in a hostel in St Helens, Lancashire, from the refusal of Judge Fay, sitting as a deputy High Court Judge, to grant him leave under section 141 of the Act to institute proceedings against the Home Secretary and the Secretary of State for Health and Social Security for detaining him against his will in a high security mental hospital from June 23, 1976, to August 5, 1977.

Section 141(2) provides: "No civil or criminal proceedings shall be brought against any person in any court in respect of any [acr done in pursuance of this Act] without the leave of the High Court and the High Court shall not give leave unless satisfied that there is a substantial ground for the contention that the person to he proceeded against has acted in faith or without reasonable

Mr J. Melville Williams, QC. and Mr Kiernan Raftery for Mr Kynaston; Mr Simon D. Brown the ministers LORD JUSTICE LAWTON, deli-

vering the judgment of the court, said that Liverpool Crown Court made an order in 1972 sending the applicant to Broadmoor under section 60 of the Mental Health Act. The court was satisfied that he was suffering from a mental disorder of a nature or degree warranting his detention in a hospital for medical treatment and had regard to his offences, his character and antecedents. The court also made an order under section 65, unlimited in time, restricting his discharge from hos-

by a consultant in forensic psychiatry, who seemed to have sight of the applicant's records for 1972, he had a grossly psychopathic personality with a tendency to drug and alcohol abuse which resulted in a psychotic state. In 1978 the Parliamentary Commissioner reported that "Mr Kynaston was suffering inter alia from psychopathic disorder", that was, from a mental disorder as defined in the Mental Health Act. His Lordship said that in 1972 His Lordship said that in 1972 the applicant was undoubtedly suffering from a mental disorder. His psychotic symptoms were florid and as long as they con-tinued he was a danger to the public, though they were suscept-ible to treatment.

In September, 1975, after he had been transferred to a hospital near Liverpool, his responsible medical officer, Dr Neville, recommended his conditional discharge and on June 23, 1976, his absolute discharge on the ground that he was no longer suffering from a morrel disorder within the from a mental disorder within the meaning of the Act.
The applicant alleged that from
June 23, 1976, until August 5, 1977, he was unlawfully detained in a hospital under the control of the Secretary of State for Health and that his detection was brought about by the Home Sec-retary's refusal without good cause to accept Dr Neville's opinion that he was no longer suffering from a mental disorder. The judge

refused the application, and the applicant now appealed.
Section 141 provided protection Section 141 provided protection for acts done in pursuance of the Act unless such acts were done in bad faith or without reasonable care. When considering whether to give leave to institute proceedings under section 141(2) the court had to be satisfied that there was substantial ground for the contention that the person to be proceeded against had acted in had faith or without reasonable care: No attempt had been made to establish any bad faith or want

or reasonable care on the part of the Secretary of State for Health. Since under section 65 he could only be discharged with the Home Secretary's consent, the Home Office considered Dr Neville's recommendation and consulted the Department of Health and Social Security. The advisory board considered the case and reported in 1977 that the applicant remained a manipulative psychopath, highly unpredictable and apparently inthe court that the restriction was necessary to protect the public.

According to a report in 1979

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disposition towards aggressive behaviour. The board recom-mended a conditional—and not an bsolute—discharge.

Dr Neville \_ questioned the legality of such a recommendation if, as was his opinion, the applicant was no longer suffering from a mental disorder. Home Office. officials differed as to what to do. Legal advice was not taken. Even-tually the Home Secretary was invited to recommend a condi-tional discharge, and the applicant was released on August 5, 1977.

was released on August 5, 1977.

As to the Home Secretary both grounds were alleged. It had been submitted that as the medical evidence was to the effect that the applicant no longer suffered from a mental disorder, failure to heed and act on that evidence provided a substantial ground for the convention that some responsible officials had acted in bad faith by not recognizing the obvious when they saw it. There was nothing in that argument. Hesitancy in accepting medical opinions, particularly in the difficult discipline of psychiatry and in relation to the controversial subject of psychopathy, provided no evidence of bad faith. bad faith.

bad faith.
On the want of reasonable care, counsel was unable to allege that the Home Office had not given thought to the applicant's case. It was arguable that the hesitations went on too long; but that was far from establishing want of reasonable care. As Judge Fay said, if there was fault, it was in taking excessive care.

It was contended that in not taking legal advice Home Office officers had acted without reasonable care. They were in possession of the advisory board's opinion. of the advisory board's opinion, and as Dr Neville did not agree that the applicant was suffering from a mental disorder, they had to consider two conflicting opinions, and lawyers would have been of no use to them when weighing the evidence on his mental condi-

Parliament had appreciated that the public might require special protection from some patients. The higher courts were given jurisdiction to identify such patients and to impose special restrictions upon them (section 65). Once such special restrictions were imposed the ordinary power of discharge could only be exercised with the Home Secretary's consent. That provision would be pointless if in every case the Home Secretary had to accept the opinion of the responsible medical officer or the decision of a mental health review

a patient's mental condition; and when, as in the present case, there was an opinion from the advisory board that the patient remained a manipulative psychopath incapable of learning from experience there were good, sound reasons why the Home Secretary declined to consent to an absolute discharge.

charge.

Counsel had called in aid article S(1)(c) of the European Conven-tion on Human Rights, which stated that everyone had the right to liberty and security of person but accepted the lawful detention but accepted the lawrun unit. But of persons of unsound mind. But it provided no guide as to who was to decide whether a patient was of unsound mind. The Mental was of unsound mind. The Mental was of unsound mind.

Health Act, which prevailed over the Convention, provided that the decision should be made by the Home Secretary when a patient satisfy their Lordships that Judge

Fay was wrong
Solicitors: Beachcroft, Hyman
Issacs for Irwin Mitchell & Co,
Sheffield; Treasury Solicitor.

Chancery Division

# Farm children's pocket money not deductible

Dollar and Another v Lyon (Inspector of Taxes)
Before Mr Justice Vinelott

Payments made by a farming couple to their four young children in return for helping with work on the farm, are not amounts expended "wholly not amounts expended "wholly and exclusively" for the purposes of the trade of farming and by virtue of section 130 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act, 1970, are not deductible from profits for

tax purposes.

His Lordship dismissed an appeal by Mr and Mrs Ian Dollar from a decision of Daventry general commissioners that £1,312 paid to the children in 1971-77 was not deductible. An assessment made on them under Schedule D for the 12-months ended Septem-ber, 1977. determining their ber, 1977. determining their profits at £19,348, was upheld.
Section 130 provides: "... in computing the amount of profits of gains to be charged under Case I or Case II or Schedule D, no-

of—(a) any disbursements or ex-penses, not being money wholly and exclusively laid out or ex-pended for the purposes of the Mr Dollar in person. Mr Robert Carnwath for the Crown.

MR JUSTICE VINELOTT said that Mr and Mrs Dollar, who farmed 165 acres in Northamptonishire, had had difficulty in obtaining farm labour, having only a sub-standard cottage to offer. sub-standard cottage to offer. Their four young children, aged between seven and twelve, were thus brought up to play their part in helping with the farmwork. In return the parents paid them £2 esch a week in cash, and in addi-tion purchased 1250 national saving certificates for each of them at the end of the year. They claimed to deduct those payments from the farming profits. By virtue of section 18 of the pure question of fact. There was Children and Young Persons Act, evidence before the commissioners 1933, and the local authority by-

for the taxpayers to have "employed" the three younger children. In their decisions the commissioners stated: "We took commissioners stated: "We took into consideration the Children and Young Persons Act, 1933, and the ages of the children, and decided that only the cash payment of £104 to the daughter Sarah was wholly and exclusively expended for the purpose of the trade, the payments to the other children being in the nature of nocket money."

in the nature of pocket money. The commissioners were correct in not deciding the case on the basis that "employment" of the hasis that "employment" of the children would have been illegal. But certainly the fact of such illegality was a matter that they were entitled to take into account. Whether the payments were wages and thus "wholly and ex-clusively" expended for the purposes of the farming trade was a pure question of fact. There was

laws, it would have been illegal clusion. There was nothing surprising in finding healthy young children working on the family farm and getting in return pocket money on a generous scale and from time to time the gift of saving certificates out of the farm profits without in any sense being employed or contractually entitle to the payment. Mr Dollar said that he felt con-

tractually bound to pay his children the minimum agricultural wage and that in his view had he failed to make the payments the children could have sued him in the county court. However his Lordship found the idea of a child of eight entering into a contract of employment in that way a strange and unconvincing one. Equally it was open to the tax-payers to ask their children to work without payment of stated The appeal failed and was dismissed.

Minister's Housing Act regulations valid Their Lordships had been referred to a number of statutes, such as the Race Relations Act, 1976. In which a power to make The court, however, could make an order for possession on one or more of the grounds set out in Part 1 of Schedule 4 to the Act which included non-payment of rent lawfully due. By section 33(1) the local authority had to give notice to the tenant, and the notice had to fulfil the conditions in section 33(2).

in the present case, by implication. The Secretary of State had power by implication to make the regulations, which were perfectly valid. The notice sent by the council was also valid. The case must be sent back to the county court to see whether the tenants. were in agreers and whether an order for possession should be made; otherwise the whole purpose of the Act would be stultified unless an amending Act were

LORD JUSTICE EVELEIGH. agreeing, said that it was not a case of implying a power to make regulations; it went without say-ing that the Secretary of State had such power, which was clearly recognized in section 151. LORD JUSTICE FOX, also agreeing, said that the judge had rightly been concerned about the danger of roncluding by inference that there was power to make regulations. Froperly read, section 33(2) conferred on the Section 33(2) conferred on the Secretary of State the power to make regulations under the subsection. The practical effect of a contrary view was startling. The right under section 33(2) was recognized by section 151.

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The appeal was allowed. Solicitors: Sharpe, Pritchard & Co for Mr C. D. Occomore, Ashington, Northumberland Northumberland Treasury Solicitor.

#### Assault case for Lords

Albert v Lavin The Appeal Committee of the House of Lords (Lord Edmund-Davies, Lord Russell of Killowen and Lord Bridge of Harwich) gave Mr Cleve Albert leave to appeal from the Divisional Court (The Times, December 5, 1980).

Times, December 5, 1980).

The Divisional Court refused leave, but certified the following point of law of general public importance: "Whether a person charged with an offence of assault may properly be convicted if the court finds that he acted in the belief that facts existed which if true would justify his conduct on the basis of self-defence but that there were in fact no reasonable grounds for so believing."

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# in Heathrow landing fees dispute

Sixteen foreign airlines were ordered yesterday to hand over to the British Airports to the British Airports Authority an estimated 12m in increased landing charges they have been withholding. Mr Justice Parker ruled in the High Court that it should be paid in 21 days.

Since November the airlines have been paying the increases into an interest-bearing account in protest at the 35 per cent rise at Heathrow airport, London, from April last year.

They are to challenge the in-creases in a High Court action due to begin next year.

The judge said yesterday that

if the airlines continued to withhold the increases, travellers and other Heathrow users could eventually be affected. The increases would amount to about £14m by the time the High Court action was heard. As a result the airports authority if it was to pursue its Heathrow expansion, would have to exceed borrowing limits, and it could not do that without government consent. The judge said that the

Scots trawlermen

Scottish fishermen's leaders

again tried to persuade trawler-

Mr Peter Walker, Minister of

men to end their protest over

cheap fish imports, saying it

might damage their case when

The Scottish fishermen were

yesterday given a progress re-

port on the meeting on Tuesday

netween their leaders and Mr

Walker and Mr George Youn-

ger, the Scottish Secretary of State.

still tied up in Scottish ports and militant skippers

have threatened to extend their

blockade to North Sea oil supply ships if the Government

Mr Walker has announced

£270,000 to Scottish fishermen.

with a further £1.1m to come

he is making available

does not take action soon.

More than 800 hoats are

it is discussed in Cabinet.

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de Parlian runties.

effect of the airlines continu-ing to withhold the money would be complex and difficult to quantity. Even if the authority was granted in-creased borrowing limits, that might not be sufficient

The airlines had been paying the withheld money into the bank account not out of generosity or any sense of fair play, but as security against having their aircraft detained by the authority under its Civil Aviation Act powers, he "In the light of the appar-

ent uselessness of sterilizing large sums of money, I invited large sums of money, I invited the airlines to consider whether they would be prepared, pending trial, to pay direct to the authority as all other operators are doing.

"But they were nor prepared to do so. They claimed they had landing and operating to do so. They claimed they had landing and operating rights, whether they paid or

The airports authority, and the Secretary of State for Trade, who is also a party to there was "a right to land.". Saudi, Scandingvian, Swissair, Trans Mediterranean. the action as having overall control of the airport denied

Seven saved from helicopter in sea Seven men escaped and were rescued yesterday after a Royal Navy Sea King belicopter crashed into the sea in Falmouth Bay off Coruwall, and turned turtle.

The belicopter, from Culdrose,

In brief

Boy murder charge

Heather Sokell, aged 21, ursemaid, was remanded custody by magistrates at Hampstead, London, yesterday

harged with the wurder of

James Long, aged seven months, at his home in Darmonth Park Road, Kentish Town, north London, on Pebruary 13.

An urgent warning was issued yesterday after strych

nine was stolen from a chemist's

shop in Maybury Road, Woking, Surrey, Police feared it could be mistaken for heroin or cocaine. It was in an amber

glass iar marked with a skull

A formal verdict of suicide was recorded at the inquest at

was recorded at the inquest and Cheltenham yesterday on Mr. Graham Moon, aged 36, the dismissed managing director of Severn Sound commercial radio station, who was found dead in

and crossbones.

Director's suicide

his car last Monday.

Rugby tickets forged

Scotland Yard said yesterday

that forged tickets for the Eng-

land v France rugby match on March 21 had been found and

Youths sought after fire

Two youths were being sought by police yesterday after fire destroyed a club at Clifton,

Nottingham, where a teenage discotheque had been held. The

Equipment that can locate the source of radio messages has been installed by Solent coast-guards at the Needles, Isle of Wight. It can check Mayday calls and so eliminate hoar

Foiling hoaxers

was estimated

Strychnine warning

The judge said he was satisfied that he was entitled to grant the injunction sought by the airports authority and that on the balance of coovenience it should be granted pending trial of the airlines' action. rae nencopter, from Culdrose, was on a training flight when the pilot reported engine difficulties. A safety boat accompanying the helicopter and two Wessex helicopters which were in the area picked up the crew. One man was slightly injured.

trial of the airlines' action.

If the airlines eventually succeeded in their action they could recover the overpaid sums from the authority. The granting of the injunction could therefore do no harm.

Parties on both sides were warned that the dispute between them was sub judice, and would be tried in the courts and not in the press.

The judge said: "There must therefore be no repetition of the resort to press releases,

of the resort to press releases, or even more limited state ments, such as have occurred since the issue of the writ. If there is the consequences to those offenders may be very

The airlines involved are: Air Canada, Air France, Air-India, Air Mauritius, Alitalia, BWIA International, Lufthansa, Flying Tiger, Gulf Air, Iberia, KLM. Saudi, Scandinavian,

# aims beyond front men

By Our Parliamentary Staff men to go back to sea yesterday as government officials examined the industry's demands

for £120m aid to avert bank-Mr Timothy Sainsbury, Con-servative MP for Hove and sponsor of the Bill, which is Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, has appealed to fisherlikely to become law, successfully moved the amendment yesterday in standing commit-tee It is aimed at ensuring that the people most responsible for indecent displays "cannot get away by leaving the rap to be

Mr Patrick Mayhew, Ministen of State at the Home Office, supported the amendment and dantly clear that the purpose of the Bill was to catch not only the person immediately respon-sible for making an indecent

But Dr Shirley Summerskill, Labour MP for Ralifax and an there might be forgeries for next Saturday's march against Scorland at Twickenham. They are mainly £2 standing tickets. enr the Bill was still

Mr Mayhew said that Dr

#### Defendant admits murder

#### WEST EUROPE.

#### Bonn panel examines financing of Tornado.

Bonn, Feb 18 .- A West German parliamentary panet launched an official investigation today into the handling by Herr Hans Apel, the Defence Minister of finance problems connected with the Tornado multi-role combat air-

Tornado multi-role combat aircraft project.

The move came after press
reports that the Defence Ministry expected a DM800m.
(£160m) shortfall next year in
funds for the project, a joint
development by West Germany, Britain and Italy.

Herr Apel has already admitted that ministry cost estimates for the Tornado project
in 1980 and 1981 were a total
of DM1,300m too low. Reports
of a further budgeting error
have revived speculation about
his chances of political surviva!

The Bundestag defence committee held only a brief meet-ing today to adopt formally tae role of a commission of inquiry. The first working session is due on March 19.

Herr Werner Mark in opposition Christian Democrat, who is chairman of the defence committee, will head the inquire.

quiry.
West Germany plans to put
322 of the swing-wing aircraft
into operation by 1988 at aprojected cost of DM22,000m.
Britain has ordered 385. Tornadoes and Italy 100.—Reuter.

Myths as a rule die bard in Italy, but not the idea of the happy family pulsating with plenry of babies, judging from the applause a group of economists and ecologists here

tonight gave to the news that

for the first time for centur-

ies in an era of peace the Italian population has ceased to

grow and may actually be fall-

A sharp drop in the birth-

rate of course is now common in European countries. Both

the French and Germans are

worried about it. The point which emerged in tonight's dis-

cussions at the Institute for Demographic Research was

that a sharp fall was the only

hope for a solution of Italy's economic and social crisis and

economic and social crisis and that of Europe as a whole.

The discussion group comprises Signor Francesco Forte, chairman of the Chamber of Deputies' Industry Commission: Signor Fulco Pratesi, chairman of the World Wildlife Fund; Signor Domenico de Masi who teaches speiology at

From Peter Nichols

## Britain expects end

### to restrictions on Gibraltar 'soon'

Britain hopes, for an end to Spanish restrictions against Gibraltar "very soon", it was confirmed yesterday. But what MPs wanted to know, when the Select Committee on Foreign Affairs discussed the matter, was when the Spanish Government was when the Spanish Government was select to the select of the select to act to the select to the sel ment was going to act.

"Why has nothing been done when we thought it would be done?" Mr Anthony Kershaw, chairman of the committee, put

Yesterday the questions were taken by a high-powered team of Foreign Office officials, as of Foreign Onicsters, and the answers given were so diplomatic and so carefully wrapped that it would be hard to predict when things would return to normal for Gibraltar.

"In t he first instance it must be for t he Spanish Government o explain the reasons for the delsy in implementation of the Lisbon agreement, the MPs were told.

Under this agreement, Spain was to open the frontier and negotiations would then start on t he problems concerning. Gibraltar, Britain was ready to carry out its side of the bargain last June. But the Spanish Government—though it stands by the agreement—has not been ready to do its part yet.

Italy faces declining population

that for 30 years the contro-

versy between supporters and opponents of birth control had

been concentrated on its necessity or otherwise for coun-tries of the Third World.

In recent years the idea had

been gaining ground that the industrialized world would need

a drastic reduction in popula-

tion in order to face the trisis threatening to involve the whole of Europe.

Density of population was a grave problem, so much so that the Italian population in terms

consumption and pollution

caused as much ecological

damage as would 2,000 million.

to 3,000 million Indians or Chinese, packed into the peninsula.

Italian and European prosperity

had been based on the process-ing of cheap raw materials using low priced energy.

Until recently, he

life Fund: Signor Domenico de . This situation could now no with the need to cu Masi, who teaches sociology at longer continue, and Europe according to the come University, and Signor, would be in a state of crisis mediate resources.

The officials spoke of administrative problems, perhaps
more complex than the Spaniards had expected. Equally,
there had been governmental,
changes in Madrid. "Otherwise" the officials noted, "we
would prefer not to assess the
reasons, which are for the
Spanish Covernment to assess." -Mr Peter Mills, Conservative

MP for Devon West, took the Foreign Office to task for referring to "the Gibraltar problem". "It is not. It is a Spanish problem". he declared. "The people of Gibraltar have not caused any difficulties." The point was taken grace-fully. "If using a form of shorthand gave the impression it is 50-50, then we would not wish to give that impression."

. What it came down to, it What it came down to, it appeared, was that Britain was seeking "an act of faith" by the Spanish Government, in carrying out the Lisbon agreement. It seems reasonable to ask they make it, as they imposed the restrictions," the Foreign Office believes.

So far as Spain's application to join the European Community was concerned, the idea that two countries in the Community could have a closed border was described as "un-thinkable." Gibraltar is in the EEC already. There is no prob-lem, therefore, about its status.

was at its most striking in Italy.

Signor Forte said that a drastic reduction of the future

labour force would not only mean that older people could be

allowed to continue to make

their contribution, with a re-

but also young persons and women could be involved in production instead of being ex-

cluded with grave dangers to social peace and human dignity.

The speakers tonight did not

include spokesmen of the Roman Catholic view of life in

Italy. They would no doubt have seen the issues in a dif-

enough reasoned discussion to

make one wonder what has hap-

pened to the cult of the bambino and how many hun-

dreds of thousands of emigrants

must be turning over in their

graves to express agreement with the need to cut population according to the cloth of im-

there

Luigi de Marchi, chairman of the Institute for Demographic Research.

Signor de Marchi pointed out that for 30 years the contro

include

Nevertheless

#### Exports cut threatens Yugoslavia's **EEC link**

From Michael Hornsby Brussels, Feb 18

Relations between the EEC and Yugoslavia, supposedly on a new footing since the signing of a preferential made egree ment last year, have been soured by French and Irish insistence on a severe out at Yugoslav exports to Greece. At a meeting of foreign ministers of the Ten in Brus-

sels yesterdey. France and fre-land argued that as a member of the EEC, Greece must observe the rules of "Com-munity preference" Under last February's trade

of "baby beef"—a specialized product between veal and mature beef—a year to the old EEC of Nine at a preferential tariff. -Before joining the EEC at the beginning of this year, Greece

had been importing about 40,000 tonnes of beef a year from Yugoslavia. The European Commission had proposed that level of 30,000 tonnes, bringing total Yugoslav beef exports to the enlarged Community to just under 65,000 tonnes.

With the exception of France and Ireland, member states were prepared to accept this preposal But the French wanted Yugoslav exports to Greece to be limited to a maximum of 3,000 tonnes, while the Irish would not go higher than 7.000 tonnes.

Other member states are amazed that the French and the Irish should want to risk damaging the EEC's politically sensitive relations with Yugoslavia for the sake of a few mousand tonnes of beef.

#### Elysée meeting disrupted by false alarm

Paris, Feb 18 .- Workmen disturbed a Cabinet meeting at the Elysee Palace today when they accidentally cut an alarm wire which caused a maximum aleri at the palace.

As bells hegan ringing, guards shut the palace gates, and others, armed with auto-matic weapons, took up posi-tions on the steps leading up to the building from the central courtyard.

The alert was, however, cancelled within minutes when workmen admitted unintentionally setting off the alarm. -Acence France-Presse.

# Bill on indecent displays

An amendment to the Indecent Displays (Control) Bill
will widen the liability for
prosecution to anybody causing or permitting such
displays in public.

taken by some front man".

manager, but also the person who had employed the manager to make the display, such as a company director or shop

opposition spokesman on home affairs, said that despite the extremely vague and the police would be reluctant to prosecute because of its uncertainty. She wanted to widen the liability for prosecution to in-clude the freehold owner of

premises where there was an indecent display in public. To do so would act as a deterrent. Summerskill's proposal went too far because in many cases land lords had no control over what happened in the premises they

in the next few days, which will almost exhaust the Government's £37.5m fishing aid fund.

nandless corpse trial pleaded Kentish Town, London, on the guilty at Lancaster Crown Court thirtieth day of the drugs and yesterday to the murder of murder trial. Mr Russell has Martin Johnstone, an international drugs dealer.

The change of aler. Another defendant, in the Frederick Russell, aged 39, spiracy charges, which he faces
The charge of plea came from with 11 other defendants.

#### Firemen overcome

Ninereen firemen peeded hospital treatment yesterday after being overcome by fertilizer fumes at Metley Farm, West Ogwell, near Newton Abbot,

# WILL YOUR M.P. LET YOU SHOP SUNDAYS AND LATE AT NIGHT?

This Friday 20th February your MP will have the opportunity to support the Private Member's Bill presented by Sir Anthony Meyer to amend and extend the law regulating shop opening hours.

At present it is against the law to sell most types of goods after eight at night and on Sundays. In the current Dickie Dirts' Opinion Poll so far over 30,000 people (approximately 94% of the vote taken) are in favour of a change in the law relating to late night and Sunday shopping. In

fact 49% of Dickie Dirts' trade takes place during currently illegal shopping hours.

Provided employees' interests are adequately safeguarded—as outlined in the proposed Bill—a change in:.. the law would give workers the freedom to work hours which they prefer. Dickie Dirts' staff work 37½ hours a week on a rotating shift and are paid £6,740 a year basic salary. The 14 hours a day, seven days a week opening requires twice the number of staff that ordinary shop hours would neces-

sitate, thus providing more employment. Dickie Dirts' value for money policy maintains reduced prices and doubles employment, which makes a nonsense of the uncompetitive statement that longer shopping hours are inflationary. The majority of shops appear to forget that they are in business to provide a service for the customer.

The laws pertaining to shopping hours are out of pace with modern Britain. Today we are a nation of many races and creeds and

most people do not have the time available to do all their shopping conveniently during conventional shopping hours. Dickie Dirts believes the law should be updated to suit Britain's needs.

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The doctrine is that if invest-

induced to rise, then every-thing else will follow.

The way to get productivity

and investment levels to rise sharply is to cut personal tax rates, to reduce the share of

the gross national product taken

and spent by the Government,

to reduce the Government's in-

terference in business, and to maintain a tough monetary

make and to persuade them that

the period of travail will be brief.

To help him persuade people that all these things are possible and will be achieved by his proposals, Mr Reagan will.

rely on his own television skills and on, the efforts of friends from California who are experts in matters of public relations.

Congress is already preparing to respond. A sign of the difficulties the President will encounter on Capitol Hill came from Senator Robert Dole, who

is from the agricultural state of

He is chairman of the Senate

Finance Committee, and thus one of the two or three most

important men in the Govern-

ment, and he has let it be known that he opposes stern

cuts in the food stamps pro

Farmers like food stamps; it

allows poor people to buy their goods. The doctrine according

the food stamp programme has got out of hand, and must be

cut sharply. Mr Reagan cannot ger his tax cuts without Senator. Dole's consent and there will have to be an accommodation.

The Democrats, of course, will

oppose all the President's pro-posed cuts in welfare spending. He will have to stitch together a coalition to get each separate

cut through congress, and the whole business will take un much of the year.

gramme.

## outlined for approval by Cortes

From Richard Wigg Madrid, Feb 18

In a programme proposed to the Spanish Parliament today Senor Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo appealed to employers and wor-kers alike to "shoulder their responsibilities" in solving unemployment and promised all citizens that terrorism would be combated under the law

Speaking against the back-ground of the death last week of a suspected Basque terrorist while undergoing police interrogation, and the resignations offered yesterday by security police chiefs, the Prime Minis-ter-designate indicated that in future law officers responsible to the Ministry of Justice would be present during interrogations.

His one bour investiture speech also included a reasoned appeal to Spaniards to shed any disenchantment with the system, pointing out that under a democracy citizens had to collaborate with the Govern-ment and could not just sit back and criticize.

On foreign policy, Señor Calvo Sotelo reaffirmed Spain's intention of joining Nato, but without setting any target date. He rejected any claim by the Soviet Union to "arrogate to itself the right to stop us", as

In a conciliatory gesture he offered all parties in the Cortes that, if elected, he would open talks to find a consensus in favour of the timing and conditions under which Spain would

participate in Nato.

He rejected any idea of armed Spanish neutrality, on the ground that the country's strategic and geographic posi-tion and its capacity to achieve such a defence effort prevented that course.

On Gibraltar Señor Calvo Sotelo pledged his government to implement the "gradual and-agreed application of the Lis-bon Agreement of last April".

#### Rector killed in Rome accident

Mgr Sean O'Kelly, aged 49, rector of the Scots College in Rome, was killed in a street accident near the college last

A college spokesman said that Mgr O'Kelly who was born in Limerick, Ireland, was a much respected rector. He took over the post in 1973 after spending

## Calvo policy | Farm price increases ranging above 6pc mooted for the EEC

pean Commission today agreed a new farm "package" which will give the Community's 8.8 million farmers price increases ranging from 6 to 12 per cent, according to EEC sources here.

The 1981-82 agricultural price agreement, proposed by Mr Poul Dalsager, the Farm Com-missioner, and little changed by the Commission, includes wideranging measures to reduce mounting food surpluses.

The measures form the basis of the Commission's drive to reduce the size of farm' spend-ing in the EEC's overall budget, the sources said.

The cost of the price increases is put at about £412m in a full year, but the constraint measures and other agricultural revenues should reduce the net cost to about

The proposals will form the basis of what promises to be prolonged wrangling between EEC farm ministers before a final agreement is reached on the package, the sources added. The Commission is said to have accepted a proposal for an extra levy on excess milk pro-duction, one of the costlest items in the EEC budget.

Other proposed increases include beef, up by 6 per cent, from April 4 and another 3 per

For cereals it has proposed higher increases for target prices—on which taxes on imported cereals are based-than for intervention prices paid on surplus EEC production. This would help farmers by raising prices for imported cereals but

Brussels, Feb 18.—The Euro- reduced price support for their

approved by the ten agriculture ministers, are sure to anger the farmers who wanted rises of at least 15 per cent.

France has proposed a 10 per cent average price increase, while West Germany was demanding on 8 per cent boost, and Britain one of 6 per cent.

The proposals, along with the measures to make producers bear part of the cost of surpluses, will be presented for approval by the ministers at their next meeting, scheduled for February 23 and 24.

The commission has proposed a 6 per cent increase in the price of grains, except for hard wheat, which would rise by 4.1 per cent, rye, by 3.8 per cent and soft wheat of minimal quality, which would go up by

The target price for milk would jump by 6 per cent on April 1, then another 2 per cent in September. Butter would go up by 26 per cent, and another 1.8 per cent in Septem-

from April 4 and anomer 3 per cent in December; pork, by 9 per cent; table wines, 10 per cent; olive oil, 5 per cent; sugar, 8.6 per cent; tomatoes, 8 per cent, apples, 9 per cent; and grapes, peaches and pears, by 10 per cent.—Reuter and Agence France-Presse.

#### Two nations hinder UN inquiry on missing people

Geneva, Feb 18

Despite strong criticism from Argentina and the Soviet Union, t is apparent that the majority of the 43 nations belonging to the United Nations Human Rights Commission want to persevere with the investiga-tions into cases of missing people, many of whom are believed to have been murdered. by their own governments.

The commission is considering whether to prolong the mandate of the five-member working group, set up last year, whise first report refers to specific information on about 13,000 disappearances in 15 countries, mostly in Latin America.

the Reagan Administration has been heightened by silence on the part of the American delegation, which has not spoken in support of a French draft resolution for continuing the

Avoiding outright opposition to the French proposal, Argentina—the country given most attention in the report—is seeking instead to have the group's activities put behind a curtain of confidentiality so that its proceedings would no longer be publicized.

The Argentine delegate said that many disappearances were
"rhe immediate result of terrorist violence", though some
could have been caused by
"individual excesses" by Speculation that the United "individual estates policy on human rights security forces.

# package From Patrick Brogan Washington, Feb 18 President Reagan's message to Congress and his speech to the nation this evening, mark the official opening of his campaign to "turn the country around". His ministers have put into place the proposals and the theoretical underpin-nings of the "supply side economics" that Mr Reagan conceives that he was elected to impose upon the country, and he will himself endeavour to sell it to Congress and ment and productivity can be policy, Mr Reagan set out the problem in a broadcast two weeks ago. Today he is spelling out the cure. The broadcast was very well received and the President's popularity is now at its zenith. He intends to cash in on this popularity immediately, to tell the country that there are uspleasant sacrifices to make and to persuade them that

Mr Jean Chrétien, the Justice Minister, is applauded by Mr Pierre Trudeau, the Prime Minister, and others after his speech in Parliament to support "patriation, at long last, of the Canadian constitution".

#### Last-minute agreement removes threat of Polish students strike

From Dessa Trevisan

The threat of a pationwide tudent strike was removed after an agreement was signed between the students of Lodz University and Mr Janusz Gorski, the Polish Minister of

Ir grants the students the right to an independent union parallel to the old official organization. Agreement was also reached on issues concern-ing the status, of the students as well as Marxist teaching and compulsory Russian language

The agreement is obviously a success of the new Government of General Wojciech Jaruzelski, of General Wolciech Jaruzeisa, which has won the first round in its struggle for 90 peaceful days and has shown willingness not only to negotiate but also to explain publicly why certain demands cannot be met.

This was what General Jaru-zelski promised when he took over the Government as a way to establish mutual trust. A last minute difficulty over the form in which the new independent students union would register was overcome.
The authorities demanded au. explicit undertaking by the new

tional framework acknow-ledging the Communist Party as the leading political force. Another controversy con-cerned the right to strike. This

was granted, but the authorities insisted that strikes should be made subject to majority vote of the students. The students of Lodz University who started the action

five weeks ago, presented the authorities with more than 50 demands some of which went beyond academic life and took on a political character. They demanded the replacement of compulsory teaching

of the Russian language by a voluntary choice of languages. They also protested against compulsory Marxist lectures especially against the way Marxism was taught and ob-tained the freedom to choose a variety of social sciences. Another demand concerned

the history books, especially those relating to Polish history which the students said presented a slanted view espec-ially of recent historical

In short, the authorities have accepted the demand for more objective education and the re-moval of ideological slants. The most urgent work of putting the economy back on Censorship is to be eased and its feet.

circulate publications within the colleges of up to 1,000 copies without having to submit to the censorship. The students' demand for a

reduction by balf of the period of compulsory military service, which is two years in the armed forces and three in the navy, was rejected,

Yesterday, students in some 20 university and higher educa-tion centres threatened to call a nationwide strike in support of their demands. But, the Government moved quickly and after meeting Mr Mieczyslav Rakowski, a deputy prime minister last night, the students agreed to continue negotiations. The agreement ends the last social upheaval in Poland Jeaving only the question of the farmers in Rzeszow who have been occupying a public build-ing since the beginning of the year. Negotiations there are going on behind closed doors and sway from the usual loudspeakers relaying procedures.

An agreement is expected soon. This would give the Government the necessary time

#### Russia says dissidents in Poland have London link

A secret London-based agent of the Polish dissident group Kor is relaying messages from Mr Jacek Kuron, the leader of the Self-Detence Committee, to western intelligence services, an influential Soviet newspaper claimed today.

These messages kept Polish exiles supplied with anticommunist propaganda and were used by western broadcasting companies, including the BBC, to send coded signals back to Poland.

After its spicy account last week of espionage and sabotage carried out by leaders of Solidarity, the Polish independent trade union movement, Litera-turnaya Gazeta today continued its sharp attacks on Polish dissidents and their alleged links with western intelligence agencies.

The paper published what purported to be a photocopy of a secret message from Mr Kuron to his London agent, It said Mr Kuron's slander was published in Polish émieré newspapers and then smugglad back to Poland, mainly by sea, Meanwhile, foreign radio stations were sending out secret signals in their broadcasts or Poland as to when, where and how to stir up strikes in support of Solidarity, an organization the paper said acted on Kor's prompting.

The account, by a special correspondent, said foreign intelligence agencies had long relied on Mr Kuron because for more than 20 years he had been using western-developed methods of penetrating Polish premizations to undermine. organizations to undermine them from within.

Literaturnaya Gazeta said he also maintained secret contacts in the European Trotskyist centre in The Netherlands from which they periodically sent him messengers "who have the sinister reputation of political

terrorists".

Meanwhile, Tass today accused Kor and the right-wing in the leadership of Solidarity of inciting the strikes by university students in an effort to maintain tension in the

A dispatch from Warsaw said strikes at factories were be-coming ever more unpopular because of the worsening eco-nomic situation, and so Kor had switched its tacrics.

The student strike at Lodg was led by the son of Mr Kuron, described by Tass as a "counter-revolutionary". And in spite of talking with Polish education officials, the strike committee was behaving in an extremely hostile way to the

## Chirac challenge to Giscard camp

From Charles Hargrove
Paris, Feb 18
One of the genuine innovations of this year's presidential electron campaign, which is beginning otherwise to look in many respects like a rather tired rehash of the campaign of 1974, is the appearance on the scene of M Jacques Chirac, the Gaullist leader, not in the scene of K Jacques Chirac, the Gaullist leader, not in the scene of k Jacques Chirac, the Gaullist leader of k Jacques Chirac, the Gaullist leader of k Jacques Chirac, the scene of k Jacques Chirac, the scene of the the Gaullist leader, not in the There are very few chances role of kingmaker as last time. but as a pretender to the In his first television appear-

ance of the campaign last night, he claimed to offer the voters a credible alternative to the same old choice between M Giscard d'Estaing and M François Mitterrand, the Socialist He did so with skill and con-

viction, consolidating the image of a new Chirac, responsible, determined, statesmanlike, and at the same time close to people's problems with which he had surprised the politicians and journalists at his press confernew for another seven years the mandate of a President record is, to say the

restrained Jacques Chirac would be content to act as an auxiliary in all but name for the outgoing President, and to present him with the Gaullist votes on a platter for the second round, were told in no uncertain fashion to think

Re gave equally short shrift to those Socialists who have been nursing dreams of grow-'convergence" with Gaullist RPR that would help M Mitterrand into power. The policy I propose is very precisely the opposite of the Government's", M Chirac said,

Car plunge kills



#### French Presidential Election

anose Giscardian leaders who whose record is, to say the had concluded a little too least, hardly exhibitaring."

As for the Socialists, they restrained least, and restrained l munist vote, M Chicac went on. M Mitterrand could not hope to be elected without them. The strategy of the Union of the Left was "fundamental diverg-ence". This separated the Gaullists from the Socialists at least as much as from "liberal

or liberated conservatism." Frenchmen had to be offered another way. " That is why I am a candidate. I am one obviously to be present in the second bal-lot, and, especially, to win." .He would not be drawn, in spite of repeated heckling by the panel of journalists inter-

of his supporters to President Giscard d'Estaing, if the Presi-dent is a candidate, which is virtually certain and if he heads the poll in the first ballot, which is not certain, judging by the latest opinion poll, pub-lished by Le Figuro today, which shows M Mitterrand in

the lead. M Chirac gave himself six months if he were elected to change the political and economic climate. He proposed an ambinious programme of cuts in government spending and tax relief. The government had got it all wrong: unemployment was a cause of inflation, not a factor of regulation of the economy.

"How can one seriously imagine it possible to maintain for a long time a society in which the only prospect for 700,000 youngsters on entering. it is to be unemployed." He added: "We are on the road bankruptcy, to dramatic bankruptcy because we are in a climate of despair.

His strictures against the Government's foreign policy-were equally severe. It was changeable and indecisive. Had he been President, he would have called for a summit to condemn within 24 hours the invasion of Afghanistan. He would bave insisted on an immediate ban on the export of technology to Russia.

to Congress today, before addressing Congress and the nation in a televised speech.

A programme for economic re-covery: Today the Administration is proposing a national recovery plan to reverse the debilitating combination of sustained inflation and economic distress which coneconomy. Were we to stay with existing policies the results would be readily predictable: a rising government presence in the

predictable: a rising government presence in the economy, more inflation, stagnating productivity, and higher unemployment. Indeed, there is reason to fear that if we remain on this course our economy may suffer even more calamitously.

The programme we have detel-The programme we have developed will break that cycle of negative expectations. It will revital-Ize economic growth, renew optim-ism and confidence, and rehindle the nation's entrepreneurial instincts and creativity.

What we are trying to accompilsh: The benefits to the average American will be striking. Inflation—which is now at double-digit rates—will be cut in half by 1986. The American economy will produce 13 million new jobs by 1986, needly three million receives three in the contract of the c nearly three million more than if the status quo in government policy were to prevail.

policy were to prevail.

The economy itself should bresk out of its anaemic growth patterns to a much more robust growth trend of 4 to 5 per cent a year. These positive results will be accomplished simultaneously by reducing tax burdens, increasing private saving, and raising the living standard of the American family.

ment pariets to risk-taking and enterprise: This agenda for the future recognizes that sensible polities which are consistently applied can release the strength of the private sector, improve economic growth, and reduce in-

We have forgotten some important lessons in America. High taxes are not the remedy for inflation. Excessively rapid monetary growth caung lower interest rates. Wellintentioned government regula-tions do not contribute to economic vitality. In fact, govern-ment spending has become so extensive that it contributes to the economic problems it was designed to cure. More government inter-vention in the economy connervention in the economy cannot possibly be a solution to our economic problems. We 'must remember a simple

truth. The creativity and ambition of the American people are the vital forces of economic growth.

The motivation and incentive of our people—to supply new goods and services and earn additional income for their families—are the most precious resources of our nation's economy. The goal of this Administration

The goal of this Administration is to nurture the strength and vitality of the American people by reducing the burdensome, luturative role of the tederal government; by lowering tax rates and cutting spending; and by providing incentives for individuals to work, to save, and to invest. It is out basic belief that only by reducing the growth of only by reducing the growth of government can we increase the growth of the economy.

The United States economy faces no insurmountable barriers

to sustained growth, It confronts reducing fax burdens, increasing private saving, and raising the living standard of the American family.

The plan is based on sound expenditure, tax, regulatory, and monetary policies. It seeks properly functioning markets, free play of wages and prices, reduced government spending and borrowing, a stable and reliable monetary steadily rising standard of living.

of federal expenditures; (2) a significant reduction in federal tex rates; (3) prudent relief of federal regulatory burdens, and (4) a monetary policy on the part of the independent Federal Reserve System which is consistent with those policies. These four complementary policies form an integrated, and comprehensive programme.

It should be clear from the most cursory examination of the economic programme of this Administration that we have moved from merely talking about the economic difficulties facing the American people to taking the strong action necessary to turn the economy

The leading edge of our programme is the comprehensive reduction in the rapid growth of federal spending. As shown in detail below, our budget restraint is more than "tosmetic" changes in the estimates of federal expenditures. But we have not adopted a simple-minded "meat axe" approach to budget reductions. Rather, a careful set of guidelines has been used to identify lower priority programmes in virtually every department and agency that can be eliminated, reduced, or postponed.

The second element of the pro-

The second element of the programme, which is equally important and urgent, is the reduction in federal personal income tax rates by 10 per cent a year for three years in a row. Closely related to this is an incentive to greater investment in production and job creation via faster tax write-offs of new factories and production equipment.

The third key element of our economic expansion programme is an ambitious reform of regulations that will reduce the government-imposed barriers to investment, production and employment. We have suspended for two months

minute rule-making on the part of the previous Administration. We have eliminated the ineffective and counterproductive wage and price standards of the Council on Wage and Price Stability, and we have taken other steps to eliminate government interference in the marketniace. marketnlace.

The fourth aspect of this com-

The fourth aspect of this comprehensive economic programme is a monetary policy to provide the financial environment consistent with a steady return to sustained growth and price stability. During the first week of this Administration its commitment to the historic independence of the Federal Reserve System was underscored. It is clear, of course, that mone-Reserve System was underscored. It is clear, of course, that monetary and fiscal policy are closely interrelated. Success in one area can be made more difficult—or can be reinforced—by the other. Thus, a predictable and steady growth in the money supply, at more modest levels than often experienced in the mate will be a

more modest levels than often experienced in the past, will be a vital contribution to the achievement of the economic goals described in this report. The planned reduction and subsequent elimination of federal deficit flantcing will help the Federal Reserve System to perform its important role in achieving economic growth and stability.

The ultimate importance of this programme for sustained economic growth will arise not only from

growth will arise not only from the positive effects of the indi-vidual components, important as they are. Rather, it will be the dramatic improvement in the underlying economic environment and outlook that will set a new and more positive direction to economic decisions throughout

Protection against inflation and high tax burdens will no longer be an overriding motivation. Once again, economic choices—involv-ing working, saving, and invest-ment—will be based, primarily on the prospect for real rewards for those productive activities which improve the true economic well-

#### Nigerians query Washington, Feb 18.—This is framework, and reduced government baction to the "Promear bactiers to risk-taking and our faith in the future. British stand on the unprecedented flood of last minute rule-making on the part our faith in the future. The fant bay elements The last rule making on the part of the fant bay elements The last rule making on the part of the fant bay elements. From Karan Thapar

Lagos, Feb 18 Lord Carrington, the first British Foreign Secretary to visit Nigeria since that country's return to democratic rule, today began a two-day visit to Lagos. He was received by Professor Ishaya Audu, Nigeria's Foreign Minister, with whom he later held official talks

Professor Audu expressed. Nigeria's doubts over the British stand on Southern Africa. "Af the moment your credibility and 1821 S integrity as an effective voice for peace, change and stability will continue to be serious prought into question and mis punished taken for complicity as long you fail to prove by words and deeds your abborrence of the

The issue of the increased costs of university fees it.
Britain, which have bit Nigeriary students particularly hard, were: also brought up at today's off the her in the cial talks. According to be be the hose rington preempted the expected with the Nigerian complaint by assuring the his counterpart that they were under review and as and where under review and as and where
the economic situation per
mitted they would be lowered
In his talks with Chief Akanb
Omiyangi, the Nigerican Defence
Minister. Lord Carrington
accompanied by the chairmen o
British Agrassace and Vicker British Aerospace and Vicker.
Shipbuilding and the head of defence sales in the Ministry of Defence, discussed plans for joint ventures in defence-relater.

industries.

These are thought to include the state of th

#### four Scots on Florida holiday From Our Own Correspondent Miami, Feb 18 .- Despite re-

peared rescue efforts by firemen, a Scottish mother and her three children on holiday in plunged into a canal west of Miami. Her busband and the children's father, Mr Alan Atkinson,

of Helensburgh, Dunbartonshire, survived the night accident, This message was delivered police said. He was not seriously injured but was admitted to hospital suffering from shock Mrs Adrianne Atkinson and her twin daughters, Lucy and Anna, aged eight, died in the car. Her son Nigel, who was European affairs. 11 died later in nospitul britishly being revived at the

scene of the accident. Highway patrolmen said the family's car was in collision with another vehicle before it plunged into the canal.

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#### US shows EEC evidence of Salvador arms suppliers

Brussels, Feb 18 The United States today told the EEC of its "grave concern" about the situation in El Salva-dor and of its fear that Western humanitarian aid to the Central American country could end up in the hands of left-wing guerrillas fighting the Government.

to Mr Gaston Thorn, the President of the European Commission, by Mr Lawrence Eagleburger, who is to be the new American Assistant Secretary of State with responsibility for Mr Eagleburger also gave Mr

Thorn a document setting out evidence of Soviet and East European involvement in the supply of arms to the El Salvador rebels either directly or through Cuba, Vietnam and

The American envoy was also understood to have described the situation in El Salvador as being exactly the same as that in Angola and Ethiopia before the communist takeovers in those countries.

EEC foreign ministers vester-

whether to send a package emergency relief and food aid to El Salvador until Mr tour of European capitals. He is expected in London tomorrow... Mr Thorn told Mr Eagleburger that the EEC aid for El Salvador was of an entirely humanitarian kind, and that the Commission was working closely with the International Red Cross to ensure that it

reached only those sections of the population in distress. Commission officials said that a report was still awaited from the Red Cross on how it intended to organize the distribution of the aid. The Red Cross is coordinating the efforts of western relief agencies in El

Salvador.

There is some embarrassment in the EEC about Mr Eagleburger's tour, which is being portrayed in some quarters as clumsy attempt to .line the Europeans up in support of American policy interests in Latin America.

Most EEC governments are reluctant to get involved in support for the El Salvador Government, and do not share the American view of the day decided to defer a decision. strategic importance of the

country.

Leading article, page 15 people.

#### and to El Salvador until Mr Reagan visit to Canada

early next month From Our Own Correspondent

The White House announced today that President Reagan will make his first journey outside the United States as President next month when he pays a two-day official visit to The visit on March 10 and 11

promise to keep in close touch with America's closest and often touchy neighbours. When he paid a fleeting visit to Mexico for talks with Presi-dent Lopez Portillo shortly before his lazuguration, Mr

Reagan promised similar talks

with Canadian leaders

is in line with Mr Reagan's

Home brew kills six

Thomson, Georgia, Feb. 18 .-Police are searching for a clandestine distiller who is lacing his home brew with rubbing alcohol, a poisonous substance, that the

## Tanzanian troops may have to stay in Uganda

From Charles Harrison Nairobi, Feb 18 Last week's crisis in Uganda,

when, an underground group calling itself the Uganda Free training centre, and the country's main prison, is an extra of firearms.
problem for President Milton There have been big searches Obote.

The President, who took office in December, was already faced with the daunting task of restoring a shattered economy and winning the support of millions of people who believe that the December elections were rigged to give victory to his iganda People's Congress. It is still not clear who the organizers of the Uganda Free-

dom Movement are. They have tions.: refused to name their leaders. But the efficiency with which the attacks were organized (several suburban police stations: in Kampala were attacked simultaneously, with the object staying in Kampala was attacked

that men with military training were available to use them. President Obote has replied to the UFM's claims, denying that it controls any territory dom Movement claimed respon- and pointing out that some of sibility for a series of attacks its targets were lightly held on police stations, a military, rural police posts with only a handful of men and no stocks

> to track down the UFM organizers and their stocks of arms. Some well-known politicians have been arrested and Ugandan officials say they suspect followers of the Uganda Patrintir Movement, led by Mr Yoweri Museveni, a minister in three post-Amin Governments and deputy chairman of the Military ruled until the December elec-

Mr Museveni has not been seen since the attacks were made and he is believed to have left Uganda with his family. The house in which he had been of obtaining firearms) indicate by army units and Mr Bidandi that they had been carefully Sali, the UPM sceretary general planned, that significant stocks was among those arrested in Kampala last week.

support among young, educated Ugandans, Mr Museveni is also known to have a significant following in the new Ugandan Army, including many of the guerrillas who trained with him in Tanzania for the campaign to oust President Amin. There is no suggestion that

the attacks were the work of pro-Amin elements. The UFM says it opposes President Obote because his election was a fraud, and says Ugandans must suffer from the inflation and fraud, and says Ugandans must suffer from the inflation and be able to choose their own other problems in Ugand leaders free from the influence of Tanzania, which has maintained around 10,000 troops in uttacks has been small. But their importance as a sign of their importance as a sign of their importance. Tanzania would like to with-

already critically short of cash, lacks the money to pay for them. Ugandan sources say Tanzania is no longer being paid the money it needs to maintain this force.

The Ugandan Army showed some of its limitations last week

looting and extortion by the troops who were supposed to be searching for those responding sible for the attacks on police stations. A Ugandan ministe. found it necessary at the week. end to warn newly-trainer . officers that the army must no. 1 try to "annexe" private property, and to emphasize the civilians, as well as soldiers today.

the kind of opposition which" President Obote faces is fa from small. The UFM attack? draw its troops by June, but from small. The UFM attack 7- from small is a substantial lack 0 from small is a substantial ment, particularly in the Kampala area where recent indistributions in food prices have resulted in a serious shortage of basic foods—at any price—ha of basic foods—at any price and where a shortage or partial has increased the long-standing



Playing at

police and

From Robert Fisk Kunaitra, Syria, Feb 18

in limboland

shepherd has two policemen to look after him". The young soldier allowed himself a slight

Just up the narrow, puddled road, and beyond the white painted United Nations huts an

"We don't talk to the Israelis", he said, "Why should

we? Sometimes at our forward observation posts we can hear them talking and they shout 'Syria is very bad' and they say obscene things about us. We

hour the same things back to

soldiers

#### THE TIMES THURSDAY FEBRUARY 19 1981

# OVERSEAS Christian martyrs beatified by Christian marcy is the Pope before he pays visit to worst slums in Manila

Manila, Feb 18

Three million Filipinos warched the Pope beatify 16 Christian martyrs in the centre of Manila today, raising their stature of holiness to one step hefore sainthood. It was the first ceremony of its kind to be held by the Catholic Church outside Rome since the thirteenth century. teenth century.

Reinforcing the Vatican's interest in Asia, the Pope announced tonight that as a native of Poland he would like to visit Peking to meet the Chinese Catholic community. Making his plea he said to chinese residents in Manila; Ever since God's providence n mysterious ways called me rom my native Poland to the see of St Peter in Rome, I have see of St reter to express my redently desired to express my ffection and esteem to all mothers and sisters of the burch in China;

He went on, apparently to end a measure of support to be regime in Peking, by delaring that a "good Chinese atholic works loyally for the rogress of the nation, observes ne obligations of filial piety nwards parents, family and pposition or incompatibility in eing at the same time truly hristian and authentically

Describing China as a great nuntry in terms of culture, hisry, its geographic extension nd population, the Pope then noted from the Scriptures: "I longing to see you rengthen you . At the beatification cere-

The Pope, with chalice, at the beatification ceremony.

mony this afternoon, hundreds of white doves were set flying and the bells of Manila cathe-dral and churches across the city bagan to peal as the Pepe, in one of Asia's most historic and spiritual ceremonies, uninscription " For God I shall give my life" to commemorate the martyrdom of 16 priests and laymen who were tortured to death by the Japanese in the seventeenth century.

Lorenzo Ruiz, one of the leading Christian martyrs in Asia, a Filipino layman who left the Philippines to escape criminal charges at home, was eventually executed in Nagasaki in 1637 for attempting to spread the Catholic fairb in Japan.

Conducting the services in Spanish before the vast crowd in Luneta park in the centre of Manila, the Pope announced to the Asian church: "In this first beatification ceremony to take place outside of Rome and in this first Figure Ruis, Lorenzo Ruis.

Kunaitra must be one of the most lawless towns in the world. There are two policemen for every shepherd and down at the local gendarmarie, Kalashnikov rifles hang on the wall which is strange because the total civilian population is only 18. this first Filipino Beatus, Lorenzo Ruiz, you have cause for continued rejoicing."

Attended by 300 cardinals and bishops from the Philippines and other parts of Asia, including Japan, South Korea, Indonesia and India, the moving caremony was described by A Syrian army second lieutenant, an English literature graduate from the University of Aleppo summed it all up rather well today as he stood on the Syrian ceasefire line—a rainswept bank of dark mud—only 50 yards from where the Israeli flag cracked in the rainy afternoon.

Indonesia and India, the moving ceremony was described by leading. Catholics tonight "as one of the most significant events in the history of the Christian faith in Asia".

The Pope announced that the 16 martyrs declared as blessed today, include nine Japanese Christians, four Spaniards, one Frenchman, an Italian, and Lorenzo Ruiz.

According to the church's record Lorenzo Ruiz and four companions, were executed painfully and slowly" in Scptember, 1637, after they refused to renounce their faith.

Scptember, 1637, after they refused to renounce their faith.

Hung by his feet from the
gallows his body and head
were lowered into a narrow
pir. The entrance of the pir
was closed with pieces of wood
and stones to increase the
pressure. Lorenzo was left
hanging upside down to bleed
and suffocate until he died
three days laser."

three days later ". They are given the title bles-ed because this was the reatest act of love for God, the

Pope said.

Earlier, he inspected the edge of Manila's worst slum in the district of Tonda. The awling slum of shanty houses lacks running water, sewerage or proper medical facilities. The smell was almost unbearable

Thus the Middle East's most ferocious evemies confront each other beneath the Golan Heights amid the ruins of a war that ended more than seven years ago. Every building in Kunaitra —once a town of 60,000 people —was systematically destroyed by the Israelis before they

withdrew after the 1973 war and Syrian soldiers now occupy this desolate salient, evading the United Nations' ceasefire troop restrictions by protending in a droll sort of way, to be Khaki clad majors with auto-

matic rifles ride estate wagons through the ghostly streets and plod mournfully, through the rain down to the little shacks where Kunaitra's would-be constability there's the process. stabulary keeps the peace.
It is a sea of flattened con-

crete bricks and mud, street after street of pancaked houses and rubbled walls, fire scorched mosques and a devastated Christian church.

Perhaps it is incumbent on every nation to keep a ruin or two for posterity. The Egyptians had Port Said, the Israelis maintain the wreckage of cruel ambushes from the 1948 war. Syria has Kunaitra. It is almost surrounded by Israeli occupied territory and bigh above it on the hill of Tell Abu Nedar, the Israelis can monitor the Syrian army's

slightest movement. Two-swatnes of barbedwire separate the two armies and between them sit 14 bared Austrian soldiers of the United Nations disengagement observer force. Ceasefire violations—real or imagined-are regularly reported to the United Nations by both sides. The Syrians are currently claiming that Israeli patrols outside Kunaitra are beaming searchlights on to Syrian military posts

From behind Tell Abu Nedar came the thunder of heavy artillery. The Israelis were practice

firing on the far side of the bill but the wooden and tin walls of the lieutenant's make-believe gendarmerie rattled with the blast. You could hear the shells

Kaunda officials ousted in party reshuffle

Minister, as well as a long-time political ally of Dr Kaunda. Mr Chona, who was party

secretary general for four years will become Ambassador to what the President des-

cribed as a friendly socialist

The new Prime Minister, who

ranks as number three in the state hierarchy, is Mr Nalumino Mundia, chairman of the Unip

central committee's youth and sports subcommittee. He is a

former minister with experi-

ence in labour relations, com-

merce, industry and local gov-

hissing down range and the two long explosions that followed reverberated through the shick. While the Syrians were playing policemen on one side of Tail Abu Nedar the Israelis were clearly playing soldiers on the

He replaces Mr Mainza
Chona, aged 51, a former vicepresident before the title was
abolished, and a former Prime
He replaces Mr Daniel Lisulo,
a Lusaka lawyer, who kept the
seat in the central committee
which goes with the premier-

#### The West Bank-3: Palestinians fear they will be expelled by Israelis

## Politics and history motivate Jewish settlers

From Christopher Walker Eilon Moreh, Peb 18 Mrs Linda Hazony is an

arriculate American lew who was born and brought up in Brooklyn. Today, with her husband and five children; she lives here in a cramped, mobile home perched on an exposed hill top overlooking Nablus, the largest and most militantly Palestinian town in the occupied West Bank.
Like thousands of other
Jewish settlers in similarly

Jewish settlers in similarly vulnerable and incongruous locations, Mrs Hazony has no doubts about the justification for her presence in former Arab territory, "This is Eretz Israel, a land promised to the Jews by Abraham", she ex-plained, "We are not foreigners

"There are many shepherds around" he said. "We are very worried that they might walk through the minefields. So every Eilon Moreh symbolizes the Eilon Moreh symbolizes the new rype of settlement which has been assiduously fostered, financed and constructed by the ruling Likud coalition, especially by Mr Ariel Sharon, its energetic and expansionist Agriculture Minister, Already forcibly moved from a site near by declared illegal by the Israel Supreme Court, it is now behind a metal barricade to inspect the credentials of a driver. The Syrian heutenant watched him without interest. situated less than three miles from a town with an Arab popu-lation of 60,000 and is guarded round the clock from possible Palasinian arack

Palestinian attack.
Although the Eilon Moreh settlers live in an unprepossess ing assortment of pre-fabs, squads of labourers (including local Arabs) are now hard at work completing the first 36 concrete houses. The aim is to have them built by the date of the general election in the summer in order to make it difficult for any incoming Labour government to dis-

mantle the settlement.

All supporters of the extreme Jewish nationalist group.
Gush Emunim, the residents of Moreb are beavily armed and motivated by a passionate conviction that they have a greater right to sovereignty though dismissed as dangerous fanatics by moderate Israelis. they are seen by many others (including some Government ministers) as the natural successors to the Jewish pioneers who first paved the way for

the creation of the state.

Behind the biblical mystirism favoured by the new settlers, there is a hard-headed awareness of the crucial his-

Jenin 🕒 Tulkarm (O Eilon Moren + (alkilya ⊅ OPetah Tiqwa ISRAEL ORamallah • O Jericho ◆ Founded before Bethlehem: the Begin government took office Founded or legalized during the Begin Hebron government 15 miles

torical role played by settle-ments both in forcing the United Nations to partition Palestine and in delineating the original demographic lines between the Jewish and Arab populations. Many observers are convinced that underlying settlement programme is a long-term aim to annexe the West Bank permanently.
In conversation with out-

siders, the new settlers appear totally unconcerned about the dangerous tensions which their presence has aroused among the Arab population. Many local Palestinian leaders are now convinced that the ultimate Israeli goal is to drive them out of the West Bank completely. Only a minority of the settlers advocate this policy openly, but most would agree with Mrs Rachel Klein,

a resident of Kiryat Arba, the largest and most urbanized of all the West Bank settlements. She told me: "What Joshua said still holds true today." We are coming into this land, if you want to follow our way and be at peace, you can stay. It you want to leave you are welcome to leave. But if you want to stay as our enemies, we will fight you."

cause they were deliberately kept away from centres of Arab population, and the public argument always put forward for their construction was the pressing need to maintain Israel's fragile security.

There was little international outery when the first West Bank settlements were erected by the ası Labour Administration be-

wing Government came to

rower in 1977, the number of Jewish settlements (including new suburbs built in East Jerusalem) totalled 37, with riost concentrated around strategic sections of the Jordan Vailey. In the past three and a half years, the number has jumped to 75, and plans are well advanced for another ten to be established before polling Altogether about 18,000 Jews

live in the occupied area, less than three per cent of the Arab population. In addition to houses and schools, they have also received the expensive beginnings of an industrial infrastructure intended to guarantee the viability of a permanent lewish presence. guarantee the viability of a permanent Jewish presence. Official statistics show that since 1977, over 72,000 square feet of industrial plant and other commercial buildings have been erected in the West Bank, with another 15,000 square feet under construction. The question beginning to dominate Israeli politics is the extent to which this vast network of what the settlers pointedly refer to as a created facts could be dismantled or otherwise neutralized by a future Labour government pledged to negotiate territorial compromise with neighbouring

In a recent series of private policy-making forums held by the Labour leadership, there were a number of references to the possibility of what one participant described as "civil war" breaking out if the Army was instructed to pull down settlements like Eilon Moreh which are not seen as perform-ing any useful security role, Mr Sharon has deliberately gone on record predicting that no Israeli government could survive in office if it attempted to do away with the settlements. A new pressure group formed by representatives of 40 settlements, which met for the first time on Christmas Eve. gave clear warning of determination to resist. A resolution passed by an overwhelming majority stated: "The Council considers any proposal intended to hand over parts of Eretz Israel to foreign sovereignty as a disavowel of the Jewish people's destiny and the aims of the Zionist enterprise, and as an illegal act."

The first two parts of this five-By the time the present right- part series appeared yesterday ing Government came to and on Tuesday.

#### 3lacks living in white ireas face prosecution

om Ray Kennedy hannesburg, Feb 18

Four special courts are to be in Johannesburg next nth to handle prosecutions Indians, Coloureds and cks who have been living gally in white areas. garry in white areas. A gistrate has been recalled m retirement to help handle ut 500 cases over a four-

nth period. he prosecutions will be under the Group Areas the apartheid statute that down where people of

everal white people are alsoig charged with allowing squalified persons" to premises under their the Johannesburg Star

orted today, any blacks, particularly .any nnesburg because of e shortage of good-class mmodation in their own \_\_ially-designated suburbs. me and there has been no ords for the extra money. osecutions under the Group

erent colours may live and criminals.

flars in white areas of any of them are prepared av double rents to secure age of takers among white Act---considered s to be one of the most apartheid laws-were back pending the outcome

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sident Reagan's Adminis-

n announced formally to-

bat it would honour the

ments concluded by for-

President Carter for the

e of the 52 American hos-

from Iran. But at the

time it made it clear that

agreed strongly with Mr

r's decision to negotiate

spokesman for the State

ment, who outlined the

Administration's attitude e agreements, indicated

and Mr Reagan been in when the American Em-

in Tehran was seized in

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division

David Cross ington, Feb 18

The appeals were dismissed and Mr P. Cronje, deputy Minister of Community Develop-ment, has said he is powerless to stop further prosecutions under the Act. Mr Cassim Salajee, chairman

of an organization called Actstop, formed to help people facing eviction, said today that it had warned the minister that group 'areas" evictions would result in hundreds of people being rendered homeless and that law-abiding people in des-perate need of homes would face the prospect of becoming

The Star reported today that prosecutions will begin in the Johannesburg magistrates' court on March 2. Four magistrates, including one who has retired, have been detailed to preside at the bearings which have been off Indians and ser down in each of four courts ureds, have been moving from Mondays to Thursdays over a four-month period.

In a further more, seen in opposition quarters as a retrograde step in the Government's proclaimed programme to re-move hurtful discrimination, three unions affiliated to the non-racial Federation of South African Trade Unions (Fosatu) have been given government permission to officially register but only on a racial basis.

Last year the Government pledged that unions would be able to register for entry into the official bargaining system on a non-racial basis.

United States will meet swift

The spokesman explained why, in spite of its doubts, the

new Administration had terms of the agreement negoti-

This was the surest way to

resolve the whole affair "consistent with the best interests of the United States" in the Gulf and the rest of the world, he said.

In reaching a decision during nearly four weeks of

close scrutiny of the so-called Declarations of Algiers, the

new Administration had looked

at a number of important factors, the spokesman said.

They included the rights of

American claimants against the

Iranian authorities; United States auti-terrorist policy;

United States obligations to third parties, including Algeria, which had assisted Washing-

ton in the negotiations; and

long-term United States interests in the Gulf area, in-

and sure ounishment:

ated and singned by previous Administration.

#### Secret role of envoy to Britons Continued from page 1

Bishop Hassan Deghanitafri. the mission chief, escaped an assassination attempt. His son was later murdered in Tehran and Miss Waddell, the bishop's secretary, was wounded in a gun attack.

On the surface a picture has been painted of a vendetta by Islamic fanatics angry at the conversion of Muslim Iranians to Christianity by the church, but informed sources said that underneath the surface lay "friction and strange rivalries" between British staff and Iranians working in the mission, which could well be related to the confession that was announced today.

. What was also not explained today, in the light of the Aya-tollah's optimism over the imminent release of the Britons. was why Mr Terry Waite, a special representative of the Archbishop of Canterbury, had been asked to extend his stay in Iran beyond Friday,

Mr Waite who arrived in Iran secretly earlier this month and has since visited the three Anglicans in prison, has refused contact with journalists. leaving everyone guessing as to his exact role. It is known, however, that be has had a series meetings with Iranian officials.

Sources close to Swedish and British diplomats involved with the issue continue to insist that Mr Waite is operating entirely separate of their efforts.

The sources added that Aya-tollah Beneshti's statement had not been officially conveyed to the Swedish Embassy in Tehran which handles British affairs in Iran. Despite the renewed optimism following today's press conference, the diplomats concern are still very cautious on the issue of the Britons'

Lusaka, Feb 18.-President

Kaunda of Zambia today re-

placed, the number, two and

three men in the state hier-

archy in his second shake-up

of the roling party and gov-ernment in just over two

He told a news conference

that the changes were in-tended to streamline the Gov-

erument and the United

National Independence Party

(Unip), the country's only political party.

The post of Unip secretary-general, in effect, deputy head of state, went to Mr Humphrey Mulemba, chairman of the cen-

appointments and disciplinary subcommittee.

committee's

important

#### War hero Hijack plot man freed by Moscow

From Moshe Brilliant

Josef Mendelevich, aged 34; the last of the nine Jews jailed in 1970 for plotting to escape from the Soviet Union in a hijacked aircraft, arrived in Israel this evening.

He was taken from prison to Moscow airport and flown to Vienna this morning, six days after newspapers carried reports of his disappearance. · Nothing had been heard about

Mr Mendelevich since October when he went on a hunger strike and the warden of the camp in the Urals where he was detained was reported to have told a Moscow Jewish couple on Thursday that he was no longer in the camp and he knew nothing of his whereabouts.

· Israelis had feared the wors and on Sunday the Governmen decided to mobilize foreign governments and international organizations on his behalf.

His release was announced in Parliament today by Mr Moshe Nissim, the Minister of Justice, who interrupted the proceedings for an important announcement.

months has had a rough time in

the party, but has been out-spoken in the National Assembly, has hinted that he would like to be relieved of the

Dr Kaunda last resbuffled the

Cabinet and central committee

on December 4.

In January, labour unrest broke out in the copper mines

after Unip disciplinary action

against 17 trade unionists accu-

sed of meddling in politics.—

top Cabiner job.

## his party Jerusalem, Feb 18

disbands

The period of attempted reform in Israeli politics came

to a close today when Professor Yigael Yadin, the Deputy Prime Minister, formally proposed the disbanding of his small and demoralized Democratic Movement to a meeting of the party's executive. The demise of the party marks the final collapse in the

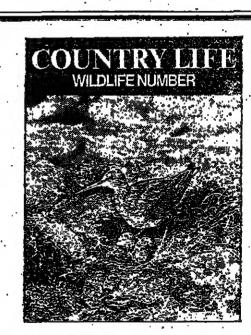
expectations aroused during the 1977 general election when Professor Yadin's original Democratic Movement Change captured the imaginstion of thousands of voters disillusioned with Israel's traditional parties. It captured 15 of the Knesset's 120 seats.

. After joining Mr Menachem Begin's rightwing coalition in October 1977, the group was weakened by a series of bitter internal squabbles and the three Democratic Movement deputies are now all that remain of the four-year-old grouping. Professor Yadio, a hero of

he war of independence and the Israeli army's second chief of staff, left a successful academic career as an internationally-recognized archaeologist to enter politics shortly before the 1977 elections,

a Lusaka lawyer, who kept the seat in the central committee which goes with the premier-Among other radical policies his party was dedicated to fight for reform of the Israeli elecship by moving to the lesser job of chairman of the social and cultural subcommittee. Mr Lisulo, who in recent toral system and introduce con stituency representation.

The appeal of the idealistic movement to leftwing voters was seen as an important factor in causing the Israeli Labour Party to suffer its first electora defeat. The final collapse of the Democratic Movement today was recognition that almost all original support had gone. Many of Professor Yadin's early backers have been bitterly disillusioned by his refusal to withdraw form the ruling coali-



## Wildlife Number

WHERE THE LION ROARS

David Tomlinson writes about the mammals of northern Botswana, where elephants can still be seen in large herds and the roaring of lions is heard nightly. SEARCH FOR THE ELUSIVE GREENSHANK

Dennis Green describes a successful Hebridean search for nests of the greenshank, perhaps the most clusive of wading birds. BRITAIN'S ENDANGERED BOGS

David Goode looks at the wildlife of this country's mosses - the quaking bog - and argues for the preservation of these valuable habitats. RETURN OF THE PINE MARTEN

John Davies discusses the re-introduction of pine martens-a member of the weasel family once near extinction in Britain-into the forests of Galloway. BUTTERFLIES BEFORE THE LENS

Tom Jenkyn offers some tips for the successful photographing of butterflies in the wild.

On sale now

## mbabwe seeks £780m aid to revive economy

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months.

Zimhabwe Government terned that last week's ted in Marabeleland todermine moves to raise of pounds worth of tional assistance to help a big reconstruction and ment programme. month Zimbabwe is

to discuss a threein, designed to place the firmly on the road to t 400 people representpotential donor nations, rnational organizations United Nations bodies een invited to attend. will be represented by

Soames, who was or of Rhodesia during

ar's transition to inde-

a donors' conference in

grammes to be carried out believes that the level of inter-during 1981-84. The total invest-national assistance will determent envisaged during this period is estimated at £2,575m, of which just over half will be invested in the private sector.

However, one western diplomat today voiced doubts that the conference would be able to raise the sum envisaged:

This is a bad time for any country to be seeking such a huge amount of investment, with major donors such as the United States, and Britain cutting back on their aid programmes "...

Zimbabwe officials, who have been trying to minimize the political significance of last week's events in Bulawayo regard next month's conference as being vital for the country's

future. The Government, which has im of the conference is expressed dismay at the rela-: about £780m towards tively small quantities of aid

mine whether the country can be transformed into a stable, non-racial-state. As Mr Bernard Chidzers, the

Minister of Economic Planning, said when announcing the conference, what is at stake are "very issues of barmonious development in the evolution of a non-racial society which go beyond the immediate borders of Zimbabwe ".

The country is emerging from a bitter war which, during its seven-year duration, left more than 25,000 dead, countless more wounded and caused an inestimable amount of damage to the infrastructure. But it is also having to trans-

form an economy which had become distorted by almost a century of colonial rule, benefiting a small minority of the

population but leaving the

majority to exist in rural poverty.

The aim of the three-year plan is to channel funds into five main areas.

These are for a programme land settlement and rural development; repair and reconstruction of war damage; rescribement of refugees and displaced persons; rehabilitation of former Zanla and Zipra guerrillas; and technical

By far the most important part of the plan is land settlement, which will absorb two thirds of the £780m At present about 6,000 white farmers occupy roughly 40 per cent of the land area. Since independence about

15,000 families have been resettled on nearly a million acres of land already bought and an additional 1.7 million acres of land are on offer for purchase by the Government.

#### Meteor blamed for flash attributed to nuclear blast From Our Own Correspondent

Washington, Feb 18

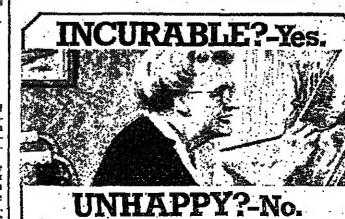
American intelligence experts have concluded that a flash of light spotted over the southern Atlantic last December was a natural phenomenon and not the explosion of a nuclear device.

A State Department spokesman said that one possible explanation for the incident was a meteor entering the Earth's atmosphere in the area. Whatever its cause, Government experts had determined "from all available data that the event was natural, not man-made ". he

The spokesman was responding to a report today in the Johannesburg Stor claiming that the flash was caused by a nuc-lear explosion, probably set off by the South African GovernUnited States officials as sus-pecting "strongly" that South Africa was engaged in a full-scale nuclear testing pro-

The report was taken more seriously here than it might otherwise have been because a similar flash of light over the south Atlantic in September 1979, was also believed by some experts here as having been caused by a nuclear explosion Baseless allegations: A Depart ment of Foreign Affairs spokes man said in Pretoria that the claim was evidently a repetimade in September, 1979, and there was no further comment to make (Ray Kennedy writes

from Johannesburg). Last year South Africa flative nuclear weapon test



### The British Home and Hospital. We must rely upon your generosfor Incurables specialises in my for a very worthy cause in looking after men and women this special year for the disabled.

suffering from progressive More than a hospital very special care and attention. Some are helpless, bedridden . . .

much more than a Home these unlucky ones have to be nursed, amused, cared for with

comparsion, courtesy and patience.
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#### by Arrigo Levi

### Kremlin poised for historic decisions

that the Kremlin is not only warried about President Reagan's polities. But is also unhappy about European atti-rudes. The Soviet Union does not see any great differences between the two, despite Europe's greater readiness to keep the dialogue alive... In a few days, the Commu-

nist Party Congress will meet to celebrate the great achievements of communism under President Brezhnev. The con-gress is not likely to discuss Soviet failures and policy alternatives; but there will be private meetings, some of them attended by all the East European leaders, where such mat-ters will have to be dealt with. Historic decisions may be

taken.
The lack of any clear conflict. of opinion between the new Reagan Administration (America's and the Europeans (America's declaration of support for France's disarmament plan in Madrid being the latest gesture of good will across the Atlantic), provides the last negative touch in a picture which is uncomfortably crowded with crises that demand fatal

Of course, Mr Brezhnev can also claim some extremely sub-Administration, once in power, has confirmed that only a very costly effort will permit it to redress, the global strategic balance, while theatre balances in the two areas areas Europe in the two key areas, Europe and the Middle East, are also clearly favourable, at least on paper, to the Soviet side-especially in the Gulf.

#### Wider range of global options

This new military balance has Soviet leaders a much wider range of global options, to the point of threatening Western control of, or even access to vital resources such as Middle Eastern oil and African strategic

Mr Brezhnev can also claim have successfully resisted the spread of Eurocommunism.
He has regained the full support
of the French, he has split the
Spaniards and has contributed
to forcing upon the Italians a hardening of their domestic policies, to the point of weak-ening Italy's economic and political stability. The absence of the leaders of these three parties from the Moscow celebrations will be only a nuisance.
Mr Brezhnev's crowning achievement remains the apparrently unblemished unity and compactness of the Soviet leadership.

Of course, under Soviet conditions there can always be sur-prises. But the usual indirect

took seven people hostage, then freed six of them, wit nesses said.

except Senor Leopoldo Silva, personal secretary to the rec-

men, who identified themselves

as students of a preparatory school, wanted more money for

laboratory equipment and other furnishings at their

school. They also apparently complained that the university

discriminated against entrants from their school.

. At first, according to the aniversity officials, the gun-men demanded an abcraft, in-

men demanded an aircraft, in-tending to fly to the United States but they quickly changed that demand to one of finding asylum in an un-specified embassy. They were said to be about 18 years old-and had, betwen them, a rifle, a sub-machine gun and a pistol.

Campus police said the raiders had tried to capture Senor Octavio Riveria, the university

The officials said the gun-

hostage

Reports from Moscow tell us about the reality of Soviet politics have provided no indicarion, for a considerable period of time, of any fundamental disagreements at the top.

THE ARTS

While 40 per cent of the local leadership may now have been renovated the new names in the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union are likely to be only about 10 per cent, and there are no relevant changes expected in the Polithuro.

The compactness of the Soviet leadership under Mr Brezhnev has allowed it to maintain control over most of East Europe, even when faced by the historic challenge from Poland; but events in Poland are just at the head of a long list of negative developments and downright

#### Inability to adopt economic reforms

This should include China's realignment with the West and the critical attitudes of the nonaligned nations towards the Soviet Union over Kampuchea and Afghanistan, as well as many domestic failures, from economic underdevelopment to the total inability to adopt significant political or economic reforms. The Polish drama is where all these crises meet. Here, their many weaknesses leave the Soviet leaders with

But he is in many ways parti-cularly well prepared. After studying for four years at the limited options.

While the Soviet military positions in Europe are momentarily seriously weakened by the existence of a huge Polish hostile territory between the home bases and the front-line positions, the Kremlin has been left with a hard choice; either to tolerate a structural weaken-ing of its totalitarian system (and strategic positions), or to impose by force a radical re-pression of Polish counter-

pression of Polish counterrevolutionaries, by either indirect or direct intervention.
While indirect repression
seems doubtful, the Soviet leaders are still hesitating, despite
all their huffing and puffing,
before plunging into what may
well become a Polish war. In
any case, whatever the end of
the Polish crisis, this could explode all the contradictions and plode all the contradictions and failures of the Brezhney era. Beyond it there will have to

be new domestic and inter-national policies, perhaps lead-ing to a different Soviet Union: either to an ever more total-itarian and aggressive state, or to a new system, readier to accept compromises, coopera-

tion and changes. There are no hard facts which tell us with any certainty which it will be; but it is possible that decisive choices will be made in Moscow during the twenty-sixth congress—though certainly not by the

gists to make reasonable guesses @ Times Newspapers Ltd. 1981

#### Youths hold | Indian mob sets fire to in university police station Mexico City, Feb 18.—Three young guamen burst into the office of the rector of the University of Mexico last night,

From Kuldip Nayar Delhi, Feb 18

A mob stoned and set fire to the police headquarters in Muzaffarnagar, 65 miles from here in protest at police brutal-ity against a couple. The police opened fire, but the casualtie were not known.

The occupation began before noon, and by late evening, a team of university officials managed to talk the gunnen into freeing all the bostages The riot started when Raniit Singh and his 25-year-old wife were handcoffed, suspended from a tree and besten unconscious. Seeing people gathering, the police let the couple go but the two could hardly walk. The woman was taken to

hospitai. The mob then attacked the police headquarters. A junior police official was stripped and beaten and three other police-men were injured. Eighteen people were arrested,

#### More tourists visit China

Peking, Feb 18.-Nearly six million towists visited China last year, a 35 per cent increase over 1979. Only 200,000 of the 5.7 million were foreigners, The rest were mainly overseas Chinese and citizens of Hongkong and Macao returning to visit their relatives or tou their ancestral homeland.

#### Fraser Cabinet surprised by minister's departure

From Douglas Aiton Melbourne, Feb 18

The resignation on Monday of Mr Robert Ellicott as Minister for Home Affairs and Environment who also resigned his sear in Parliament, has taken the Cabinet by surprise and will no doubt cause some embarrassment, as well as pro-viding Mr Malcolm Fraser, the Prime Minister, with an opportunity to reshuffle his govern-

Over the past few years there have been several resignations from the Government with the general feeling that those who have left have found Mr Fraser

overbearing. But no one seemed to know that Mr Ellicott was considering resigning and certainly the move was carried out with great speed. Mr Fraser issued a statement saying that Mr Ellicost had brought to the Governmenr "great knowledge, under-standing and drive". There is no doubt that Mr Fraser had great respect for Mr Ellicott's legal capabilities,

Justice of the High Court, after the retirement of his cousin, Sir Garfield Barwick. It is known that Mr Ellicott was bitterly disappointed at the

He is to become a judge of the Federal Court of Australia, but it is not clear whether this appointment had anything to do with his decision to resign.

There will be a by-election for the safe Sydney sear of Wentworth, which will make a total of three by-elections fac-

ing the Government.
The parliamentary career of Mr Ellicott, who is 52, has been brief but fairly stormy. In 1977 he resigned as Attorney-General because he thought Mr Fraser was interfering with decisions which he considered should be his Before entering Parliament in 1974, he was Solicitor General

Mr Ellicott is known as a dedicated worker with a brilliant legal mind and an inability to compromise. Apart from his back so many golden bears that the corporation's showcases are filled to overflowing, but I gal capabilities. 1977 resignation, he had Less than three weeks ago the threatened to resign on at least

# The sacramental approach to Strauss opera

called it, that last great romantic opera for which he and Hugo von Hoffmansthal had travailed for six years, which had driven Hoffmansthal to "profound despair" and Strauss to the point where he no longer felt he knew what was successful and what was bad. Yet, in later life, Strauss thought Die Frau ohne Schatten his greatest opera. With its eclectic source material, its complex philoso-phical and musical thematic structure, its transformation scenes, its vast singing and acting roles, its equally immense orchestral requirements and its playing time of about four hours, it is no wonder that its passage through operatic hispassage introgn operation instruction has been as fraught and haiting as the labour that gave it birth. Only in the forties did it begin to gain a foothold in Europe; and it was not until the Sixtee that the Fraue was the Sixdes that Die Frau was first heard in Britain, France and America.

Any new production of Die Frau makes operatic history; when the Welsh National when the Welsh National Opera's opens in Cardiff on Saturday it will not only be the first performance in Britain outside London but the first performance of the work in English, in a new translation by Eric Crozier.

Deflo : "We must make theatre out of opera"

signed.
The fact that the opera will

Hoger Instituut voor Toneel en The fact that the opera will Culturspreiding in Brussels, he be in English, that there is a worked with Giorgio Strehler limited budget, that the opera and theatre director" London, Oxford, Coventry, at the Piccolo Teatro, Milan, Bristol and Southampton, are elements that seem particularly ant directorship at the Theatre Royal de la Monnaie in Brusmeticulously thought out and sels where he worked with passionately felt vocational Mortier (the new director of La Monnaie) asked him to do Love of Three Oranges in passionately felt vocational approach to the demystification of opera:
"Die Frau has always been

too decorative. The curtain goes up and you have to look for the people. I believe in the naked space and true actors theory of Jacques Copeau: the space around the actor shouldn't kill him; it should help him. Take the beginning of Die Frau. The only really necessary thing is that there should be a space floating above the earth. So we made a very flat, hanging, monolithic stone which opens to show the world it. Why construct a

favourite pupils (who eyen drew cadenzas out of him for

Starting with the E flat work, K449, Mr Pollini at once estab-lished his position as primus

inter pares, his piano balanced as an instrument of the orchestra, his direction limited to barest essentials in aware-

ness that his collaborators knew

the score inside out. The first movement was so fast, so

Eusemble was equally secure in the G major concerto, K453, whose bigger stature Mr Pol-lini made plain in broader

phrasing and fuller tone: Points

of climax in the outer move-

ant material for a telling of the

other, there is no problem in finding musical illustrations, nor, I think, any impropriety in

making the music fit the story.

tale : And since so many of

ments were as full-bodied in danced more lightly) were emisonority as the outbursts file nently enjoyable.

Indeed, the marrative line, lude as respite, and happily history provided the cue for that
in the great lady's patronage
Graham Johnson from the plane also of the teenaged Debussy.

text for 17 Tchaikovsky songs that might otherwise have been charm of Julian Pike and rather an embarrassment. It Lynda Russell taking on roles

the pair).

The contract for Die Frau was palace if you can have a strange, mysterious stone? It's know where it came from, where it goes to ".

Taking his lead from Hoffmansthal but his inspiration

from sixteenth-century Japan-ess theatre, Deflo has pre-empted the need for eleaborate mechanical stagecraft by work-ing the miracles through the agency of black-clad Kabuki people who act as servants of the Rurse and of the drama. "We can travel with them, after all, like a circus!"

Cuts occur where Defla feels there is too much merely orna-mental development of lan-guage and music, like the obvious one of the Empress's spoken words in Act III: "Hoffmansthal and Strauss were sometimes too literary; they didn't have faith in what changes possible. I am working with open set changes, so there

between piano and orchestra.

by the C major symphony, K338, the last written by the young Mozart for his tyrannical Salaburg archbishop.

Though on the rostrum, Mr Pollini again directed with

Pollini again directed with batonless hands, choosing judi-cious tempo and establishing

buoyant; clear-cut rhythm with the minimum of gesture.

Although the reading suggested

thorough rehearsal rather than

immediacy of new discovery, the fluid phrasing of the

Andante, the contrast of robust Minuer and flowing woodwind

trio, and the vivacity of the tarantella-like finale (even if

its second subject could have

The privately indulged ecstasies and miseries of Tchair

kovsky and Madame von Meck needed a more trolicsome inter-

is just too much music, which Strauss would certainly have cut if he's seen my produc-

Deflo's specific choice of a particularly compelling blue for one of the sets, a symbol for him of the magic world in contrast to Barak's earth world, reveals a good deal about his understanding of the opera, one influenced by his assimilation of a wide range of literature, art and music, but particularly, it seems, the works of Rudolf Steiner.

"It is, first of all, an argument for the fact that diffe ment for the last that the should go on But only with love. The Empress wants a shadow, the symbol of giving birth in life, but not only in herself, but, as Steiner would have it, in a cosmic dimension. You don't even hurt fishes and flowers." Deflo's satramental view of the opera is very much the body can do. And a lot of view of the opera is very much in de music was written to make set at one with Hoffmansthal's lity". own note on interpretation: "Everything", he wrote, "is

bless them and then let them drink in everything—the upper-world, the lower world, and the wonderful middle

Deflo has a particular in terest in the character of the Nurse. I make her acr as if she has been the wife of Kaikobad, pushed out. She is the female against the male, pro-tecting the Empress as if she were his daughter. I develop this very strongly: she loves her as a daughter, but also as a woman; it's almost a lesbian relationship. The Empress, too, revolts against her father but, whereas in her case the young girl grows into a free woman, at her words I revive like a Phoenix the Nurse acts out the opposite, falling back into a foetus position, completely demolished as she feels she is

demolished as she teels she is losing her."

Deflo claims it is Strauss's music, above all, that has directed his direction. He has listened to everything he wrote, analyzed the score in detail, has little sympathy for the director. detail, has little sympathy for the director who does not work with the score under his arm, who arrives ten days before the production opens. As vehement and enthusiastic in conversation as he is intensely energetic in the theatre, whipping his singers into action in rehearsal, Deflo's frustration with what he feels is wrong in opera ("and the wrong in opera (" and the is wrong in opera ("and me higher you go the worse it gets") runs like a ground bass under all his observations. "There is so much charlatanerie in our job, believe me. A lot of things are going wrong. We must have a greater lyrical dimension in acting. And we must make theatre out of opera."

From September he will be engaged for six years as first house director at the Theatre Royal de la Monnaie, working on Don Carlos, Cendrillon (with you Stade), Pelléas, Idomeneo (with Pritchard), Tales of Hoffman and Trovatore. The confident continues when the made of Hoffman and Trovatore. The confident optimism that made him feel, with Brecht, when he started his studies, that as a director he could change the world, has not entirely faded. "I know now that it is not possible. Bur I go on. Opera has so much need of me"—he laughs at his hubris—" and at Brussels for the first time in my life I shall be able to work in depth. I have every possibility".

Hilary Finch

#### ECO/Pollini -Festival Hall/Radio 3

For the young Belgian director Gilbert Dello, his British debut looks, set to put him through as many trials as the opera's characters have to face.

Frankfurt, offers of contracts flowed in from all over Ger-

Brian MacMaster, WNO's administrator, had seen his Ariadne and Salome at Karls-

ruhe and his Pelléas at Ham-burg, and was deeply im-pressed by the "extraordinary intensity of performance" he drew out of his singers. Deflo,

in turn, liked what he had seen of the youthfulness and accessibility of WNO's work.

Joan Chissell

The day is fast approaching when there will be no planists left willing to share a Mozari concerto with a conductor.

Latest in a succession of distinguished younger soloists prepared to take on the English Chamber Orchestra single-handed is Maurizio Pollini, who, ringuished younger soloists pre-pared to take on the English Chamber Orchestra single-mitted, even glib. But in the handed is Maurizio Pollini, who, after a brief tour with the orchestra in Germany and Hol-land, introduced himself to Invention was allowed time to London on Tuesday in the new tell. role of pianist-conductor at a sold-out concert attended by

the Prince of Wales.

His, two chosen concertos came from the great twelve of 1784-6, and were linked further by both having been written for Barbara Ployer, one of Mozart's

Songmakers' Almanack Wigmore Hall

Paul Griffiths

The Songmakers' Almanack

have done it again, discovered a strong theme for a documentary song recital that is at once moving, entertaining and instructive. Their new programme "Madame von Meck and her Composets" is concerned largely with her one particular composer, Tchaikov-sky, and with the story of their sky, and with the story of the passionate friendship by corres-pondence, neither wanting to meet the other lest reality spoil the exchange of noble admira-

tion and warm regard. Since their relationship was by letter only, there is abund-

Each concrete statement from

be a lie, and the whole amusing

of questions about several

The title is a clear enough indication that they were never

The other day I devoted several

heated column inches to de-nonncing that strange prodi-gality whereby the BBC pours

vast amounts of time, talent and money into plays which it is content to broadcast just

once. I take Tuesday night's

Play for Today by the award-

winning Stewart Parker to be the official raspberry in reply. I could be wrong, it could go on to take Monaco, Montreux and Milan by storm and bring

Play for Today

Michael Church

Family Voices

Ned Chaillet

Lyttelton

also seemed to help the singers that they were giving their performances, as, it were, in character; Rithard Jackson as an interlude. The young French the ardent composer convinced only by the emotion of the moment, and Felicity Palmer as the severe but intense widow, dignified in her bearing yet. Lynda Russell taking on roles as Debussy and the Meck to Paris, the other architecture of whom he was only the emotion of the others into estrangement and then death within three months of each other, both burdened with guilt. stance, and the cast list provides no names for the characters, only a numerical listing of voices one, two and three. Family Voices was originally even further from substance when it was first performed by the same actors over Radio, 3 last month, but, as Sir Peter Hall translated the production from the airwaves to the stage, two of the characters assumed. It was the fashion once for plays to have resolutions, back when society was neatly ordered and everything, including a con-clusion, had its place. The one certainty about Harold Pinter's two of the characters assumed new short play is that no one will give away the ending.

the forms of Dame Peggy Ash-croft and Michael Kitchen. Seated against illuminated rectangles, rather like parchment screens, Dame Peggy and thing is a tissue of contradic-tions. By the end of the 35 minutes of the play-Mr Pinter. Mr Kitchen at first seem simple enough. Mr Kitchen's first monologue has the shape of a has endeavoured to raise a host jokey letter home to mother and Dame Peggy seems to be wholly insubstantial characters. writing to Mr Kitchen as her son, although neither of their speeches shows an awareness

doubt it. This was an inven-tively designed, devotedly acted and lovingly produced Bad

The author of Spokesong, Catch-penny Twist and I'm a Dreamer,

Montreal had turned his Irish

talent for dramatizing the dreams of the underprivileged

Kamikaze Ground Staff Reunion

Dinner (beware of long titles) would examine the lifelong

scars left on the servants by

with their sacrificial masters.

It would investigate the pos-sible effects of that same cul-

ture-shock which drove Yukio

Mishima to his gory end.

It sprang out of a good idea.

meant to assume too much sub- of the letter that the other stance, and the cast list provides might have written. As their monologues circle in, gering shorter until they have the shape of a church response, the characters grow further apart with the mother expressing hate for the son and the son gleefully announcing his homecoming.

There is a dead father to be considered—if indeed, he is dead—and Mr Kitchen has other

dead—and Mr Kitchen has other family voices to provide, taking on the task of speaking for the household where he lives. Both actors speak with a private comprehension that holds their words together and Mr Kitchen provides a colourful picture of the other, unseen, family.

They speak as if they have found a truth in the text, but the closer they get to revelation.

the closer they get to revelation, the more Mr Pinter hides with his word games. He was always ambivalent about homecomings. honour, two of his desperate old blimps took to the air and ended it all in the traditional

There seemed to be quite a lot of songs, about (by the talented Dave Brown, working in an interesting direction. The far within his capacity) but the real trouble lay in the script; garrulous, tirelessly expostula-tory, a sort of intrusive verbal background music. The wit of the opening sequence dissolved their brief but searing contact almost at once into a morass of lugubrious whimsy. There were "characters" but no charac-ters; there was "drama" but no drama beyond the wearisome At the climax of Parker's spectacle of endlessly shaking

menner; but this being Tokyo's

course, with a song. .

# Bernstein's inspiration

turbing the Andante's Elysian calm, though always Mr Pollini distilled stress into the purest beauty. All three movements brought the defrest exchanges. Performances conducted by Leonard Bernstein have an electricity less because of their musical value than because Bernstein's presence serves to give them a sense of occasion. This was particularly true of Bernstein included a rel-the two-week stint with his old atively new piece for each of orchestra, the New York Phil-barmonic. He deliberately Quintets for orchestra and Ned chose only American music of Rozem's Sunday Morning. Both living composers, adding at the pieces make very approachable last minute a heartfelt rendisounds; the Foss plays overtly last minute a heartfelt rendition of the Addeio ir memory of Samuel Barber.
The two weeks were centred

on the music of Copland, in honour of his eightieth birthday, and the composer was present both weeks to acknowledge the standing ovations. Bernstein's with Copland has changed in recent years. He now sees the slower

passages with a rather Ger-manic "innigheit" feeling, feeling. Both singers must surely have matched their Tchaikovsky's songs feed on the surely have matched their hothouse emotions he and his models too in their adroitness patron encouraged in each in the language.

The privately indulged their there is no problem in oddly inappropriate to Copland's French-derived oddly music and stretched to the limits of legato expressiveness. The thrice-familiar Appala-The thrice-familiar Appalachian Spring suite thus became, under that treatment, something rather different more empty rhetoric than from usual; the riempoint was cogent summation of what has rendered more effective when combined with the talents of three of the Philharmonic's states the symphony's case superior soluists, clarinetrist with both fervour and conviction.

Stanley Drucker, for the lovely 1950 clarinet concerto, or trumpeter Philip Smith and English hornist Thomas Stacy hugs and kisses from the maesfor the; suite derived from tro, and the evident joy

English horoist Thomas Stacy for the suite derived from Quiet City.

The quicker passages of those orchestra members who cross-thythms... and syncopations, so central a part of Copland's music-making, were taken at the chistomary speed. The Phitharmonic players, however, have got out of the habit of playing with instant rhythmic verve under their current music director, and it a parochial aura, or even one took them most, of the first took them most of the first concert to recall the old Bern-stein hounce. The first week

Symphony, a curious, formative work, while the second presented selections from his settings of old American songs, sung in a rather restrained manner by Marilyn Horne.

included Copland's early Dance

meditative music, w while Rorem's " evocations thoroughly his own: intimately scaled, and French in their clarity of colour end avoidance of any hint of vulgarity. The last concert ended with a reap-pearance of one of the mighty American Third Symphonies, that of William Schuman. Premiered in 1941, the miered in 1941 symphony—Schuman's acknowledged work in the form—remains a powerful work. The distinction and individuality of its dynamic first movement may flag in the

programmes need not take on a parochial aura, or even one of self-congratulation.

Patrick J. Smith

Stan Tracey Ronnie Scott's

Richard Williams

Stan Tracey's octet is tearing into its Frith Street season with more ideas and conviction than I have ever heard the group display; probably the musicians are simply rising to the challenge of an extended engagement, something all too rarely offered to British modernists these days.

The opening set on Tuesday night consisted of three long pieces, each devised primarily for the benefit of the band's forwardly effective method of blending written material with improvization. An extended up-tempo blues,

similar in spirit to Charles Mingus's "MDM", allowed space for the horns and for its climaxes at unexpected intervals. The shouting ensemble

bination of machine gun stutters and broad wails. Tracey's piano spoke alone and in a duet with Art Themen's tenor saxophone. Themen barked over cutting horn riffs, Clark Tracey showed evidence of a recent improve-ment in technique and imaginarolls beneath Beckett's glancing solo, and Don Weller, the Moose Malloy of the tenor saxophone, exploited his remarkable rhythmic security to have the rieses home. have the piece home. A meandering ballad was

largely built around the alto sarophone of Jeff Daly, whose controlled febrility consistently overcomes the derivative nature of his style. Themen's intervenfine soloists but all providing ing solo was marred by his evidence of Tracey's straight over-use of squawks and whimpers, eccentric effects which were never combined into a statement.

Clark Tracey's growing sense of swing and his continuing inability to develop a solo were both evident on the last piece, Tracey's piano, avoiding stan- a fast boppish line prefaced by dard trajectories and targeting Roy Babbington's imposing bass solo and brought to a climax by Weller's exquisite unaccomfeatured one glorious thorus panied improvization, which in which Harold Becken's mixed the brusque with the trumpet and Derek Wadsworth's tender in perfect proportions trombone used wa-wa mures. The octet will benefit considerations the control of the control trombone used wa-wa mutes. The octet will benefit consider-flourished in the style of early ably from this season, which Ellington, leading directly to ends on Saturday; a visit is the trombonist's solo, a com-firmly recommended.

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In two months' time English National Opera North is planuing to end its fledgeling role and take flight as an independ. ent company: it expects to announce in April that it is severing the links with its parent company, English National Opera. The Leeds based company, founded in 1978, has been promised a "not ungenerous grant" from the Arts Council for the coming year and believes it is now ready to stand alone.

Exchanges of productions with

ENO will continue, but on a
goodwill basis; there are also plans to swop productions with the Welsh and Scottish opera companies.

It will not celebrate its independence with a flurry of costly new productions but rather by increasing the number of performances it gives; the company is still relatively under employed and wants to soft-pedal other deve-lopments until it is providing the maximum possible number of performances. One change will be the end of its present somewhat cumbersome title; its new name is likely to be simply Opera North.

Peter Maxwell Davies's second symphony, commis-sioned by the Boston Symphomy for its one-hundredth anniversary season, receives in premiere in Boston next Thurs-day with Seiji Ozawa conducting. Next month the orchestra will play it in New York, San Francisco and Los Angeles, Britain should hear the work this summer with a performance by the BBC Symphony mance by the BBC Symphony under Gennadi Rozhdestvonsky at the Proms. Both orchestras are likely to have their hands full Davies promised a really virtuoso work, and the score indicates that this was no idle threat—the trumper parts in the scherze would bring pank to all but the finest players

Julie Christie is to star in a me french film, Les Quaren tiemes rugissants (The Roaring Forties), about a round-the world sailing attempt. Mis Christie, who has just finishe work on Memoirs of a Suru vor, a film about a post-disaster Britain which is expected by a releasted towards the an to be released towards the en to be released towards the enof the year, will play the wifof the voyager. Much of the
six months' shooting is planned to be done on the high sear.
The Roaring Forties will be directed by Christian de Chalenge, who has himself just completed a post-holocautilm: Malevil, based on the fine novel by Robert Meriahout a small group in France. about a small group in Franc who survive a nuclear war.

Local council spending on could spell the end for our s the more unusual drama con panies to appear in recen years: Fir Chlis, Scotland gaelic theatre company. It he lost its grant from the Wester. Isles Council (worth £16.5 this year) and as a result i Council (£44,000 this year) in jeopardy; the arts coun believes it would be extreme difficult to continue fundi the group unless it has 51 stantial support from the lo

authority. Fir Chlis, set up in 1978, not had an easy start : based Tarbert, on the Isle of Har it has to tour very widely o a sparsely populated area, a since Scotland has no gr pool of gaelic actors, it had to develop its own. Thu would seem sad if the c pany was unable to grow maturity. The arts council now asked to meet the W ern Isles Council to discuss whole position.

Productions of Pucc early opera Manon Lescaut something of a rarity
Britain, but next season
Royal Opera House
present a new production
the work with Kiri Te Kar in the title role and Ph Domingo as her lover Grieux Sir Colin Davis conduct

After all the trouble rounding its appointment new director, the Stra Festival in Canada has announced its programme 1981, which will run from announced has a second represented by Coriolanus Taming of the Shrew and Comedy of Errors, while productions include O'Ke Wild Oats (originally exists) by the Royal Shake:
Company) and Gibert an livan's HMS Pinafore.
Dews, late of the Chic Festival Theatre, will both the Sirew and Come

Scottish Opera belie has achieved the larges audience for opera ir \* European theatre or house. Last week it so. performances of The Bar Seville and La Boheme Edinburgh Playbouse, at newly renovated theatre large that a full house c ... of 2,919 people. Scottish cannot find a bigger used for opera anywh Europe.

Errors.

Roman Polanski's film, Tess, based on I novel Tess of the d'Urb opens in the West E. April 9. There were doubts about its distribute Britain, but the film, with the side of the state of t tassia Kinski, Peter Fir Leigh Lawson leading the has gained great success. United States and recent the Golden Globe awa the best foreign film.

Martin Huc

after a protracted dewlaps and inexorably accumu-argument about lating chins المكذا من الأصل

#### Sanctions not the way: dialogue and contact with South Africa preferable to isolation

House of Commons
Dialogue and contact provided
Britain with a more constructive
basis for its relations with South
Africa than ostracism and isolation. Mr Richard Luce, Under
Secretary for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, said during
exchanges on United Kingdom
relations with South Africa.
Mr Luce (Shoreham, C) said: We have normal diplomatic relations
with South Africa. The Government's view has always been that dialogue and contact provide a more constructive basis for our relations with South Africs than do ostracism and isolation.

A significant element is the importance we attach to an internationally recognized each and the constructive basis for our relations with South Africs than do ostracism and isolation.

A significant element is the importance we attach to an internationally recognized each and the constructive way of tackling this problem. Noticher independence for Namibia nor the creation of a just society in South Africa would be more think that the imposition of tackling this problem. Neither independence for Namibia nor the creation of a just society in South Africa would be more than the imposition of tackling the problem.

Mr Robert Hughe & (Aberdeen, North, Lab): The Government, together with their westra allies, with the problem.

A significant element is the imposition of tackling this problem.

Also, what is the Government going to do now that their trust in the creation of a just society in South Africa would be more than the imposition of tackling the specific and the problem.

As formed in May 1979. We do nor think that the imposition of tackling the specific ancients are constructive way of tackling the specific ancients are constructive basis and contact provide a more constructive basis for our relations with South Africa and contact provide a more constructive basis for our problem.

A significant element is me importance we attach to an internationally, recognized settlement in Namibia and to peaceful change in South Africa towards a government based on the consent of all its nearly as the consent of all its n Michael Brotherton (Louth,

C): Will be confirm that the reported statement by the Poreign Secretary to the Foreign Minister of Mozambique—that the Government aid not rule out considering sanctions against South Africa—was just a diplomatic ploy?

Would be confirm that if the question of sanctions came before the United Nations, the Government would not rule out considering sanctions against South Africa, the American administration must have time to assess the situation in Southertu Africa as a whole and the five the United Nations, the Government will keep in touch. This is a sensible time to ment would not hesitate to use the veto? (Conservative cheers.) Mr Luce: I can onl yrefrerate the view that this Government has been committed to from the time it

progress on the European initiative in the Middle East, Sir Ian Gilmour, the Lord Privy Seal, said. The Durch Presidency of the Ten-Mr van der Klaauw, the Durch Presidency of the Ten-Mr van der Klaauw, the Durch Mr van der Wr va

Foreign Minister—was about to undertake further contacts with all

the parties to explore the practical implications of the principles set out in the Venice Declaration and

The Ten remain determined to

settlement providing justice for the Palestinians and security for

Mr Anthony Marlow (Northampton, North, C): Earlier this month a delegation from both sides of the House visisted Lebenon, Jordan and the West Bank and we were left with three distinct impressions.

First, the PLO is representative

of the vast majority of Pales-tinians. Second, there is no such

thing as the Jordanian option and the Jordanian Government and King believe the Palestinians must

negotiate their own future. Third. there is great hope for the Euro-pean initiative.

The moderate element of the PLO, who are in the accordance

PLO, who are in the ascendeocy, would find their postion weakened if there is a long delay in bringing

Sir lan Gilmour: The greater the anced the better, and certainly the

Dutch President will be shortly going and talking to the Middle

East. It is generally accepted that

the PLO do represent a great many

Documents on

oil sanctions

to stay secret

forward the peace process.

ork actively for a comprehensive

the possibilities for progress.

passed.
Also, what is the Government going to do now that their trust in the South African Government has been misplaced? Mr Luce: There are a number of factors we now have to consider. The Administrator General of South Africa made it plain at the Geneva conference that he thought it was premature to reach a final agreement at this stage.

touch. This is a sensible time to pause and reflect on the best way Mr Julian Amery (Brighton, Pavi-lion, C): Considering that the United States and Britain are dep-

Middle East moves by EEC: talks

Mr Deunis Walters (Westbury, C):
The welcome recently voiced by
President Sadat to greater European involvement in the peace-

pean involvement in the peace making process facilitates a speed ing-up of the European initiative.

Top level meetings with the PLO leadership soon would encourage the American administration to

Sir Ian Gilmour: We greatly wel-come President Sadar's speech in Luxembourg in which he welcomed the European initiative and called

for mutual recognition of the Palestinians and the Israelis.

Taiesumans and the Israelis.

There have been talks at official level with the PIO but there has not yet been ministerial talks with the PIO. We have always said that contact would be made easier if the PIO were to recognize the existence of Israel.

Mr Eric Heffer (Liverpool, Wal-ton, Lab): Many of us who over the years have been closely asso-

ciated with supporting the right of Israel to have secure borders, feel the time has come when Israel should be prepared to discuss with

Would be make it clear that the

PLO must make a clear declaration that they accept the security of Israel's borders and accept that Israel must be a state and live in peace with the Middle East?

Sir Ian Gilmour: I entirely agree. Recognition of the Palestinian-right to self-determination and

at official level with PLO

The EEC is to try to make further Hosain made that clear to me.

loying forces in the Indian Ocean—and this seems to be on a long-term basis—and that the southern exit of the Red Sea is under Soviet control both on the Ethiopian and the Aden side, it is urgent that we should re-establish relations with South Africa in respect of maral intelligence, access to South African ports and the provision of security for the South African coastline, otherwise we will be encoastline, otherwise we will be en-dangering the lives of our men and

Mr Luce: There is no doubt of the strategic importance of the south-ern Atlantic, the Indian Ocean and te Cape route.

He will be aware of our obligations under the mandatory United Nations arms embargo and we do not think it is in the right interest for us to have military collabora-tion with South Africa.

Having said that, there are cont-

naving sate tost, there are contingency arrengements whereby Nato nations can and would cooperate to protect merchant ship ping outside the Nato area, including the south Atlantic, at times of tension and war. Mr. Denzil Davies, an Opposition Mr. Denza: Davies, an Opposition spokesman on foreign and Commonwealth affairs (Llanelli, Lab): When the Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary go to Washington, can they make it clear to the new administration that we expect a much harder line on South Africa than was apparent from previous a much harder line on South Africa than was apparent from previous statements made during the elec-

recognise the PLO. Sir lan Gilmon: That is not the point. We recognize states; we do not recognize organizations and.

therefore, there is no question of

ster, C): Any European initia-tive must include strong represen-rations to the United States Gov-ernment about the Esraeli settle-

be condemned. Sir Ian Gilmour: We have always

made our position clear. It does not differ from the position of the

Istaeli settlements are illegal and an obstacle to peace. We particu-

larly regret the speeding up of four settlements in the past

months.

Mr Roland Moyle, an Opposition spokesman on foreign and Commonwealth affairs (Lewisham East, Lab): Has he made representations.

tations to the Israeli Government about the reports that in recent weeks they have seized 55,000 acres

of land on the West Bank.

Does he regard that as not being

conducive to the compromises which are essential if peace is to be reached in the Middle East. If he has made representations, what

was the response from the Israeli

Sir Ian Gumour : The Israel Gov-

eroment knows our views on their settlement policy, and our views about the speeding up of settle-

previous Government—that

official recognition of the PLO. Mr Peter Temple-Morris (Leo.

West to support repression whether in South Africa, El Salvador or anywhere else. dor or anywhere else.

Mr Luce: The Prime Minister, President Reagan and the Secretaries of State will be looking at the picture in South Africa and at how we in the West. can best contribute towards bringing about a peaceful settlement and stability in that part of the world. That is what their minds will be concentrated upon.

trated upon.

The Government did not believe that sanctions were likely to produce a peaceful settlement in Namimbia, Mr Luce, said in the exchanges. Mr Denis Healey, chief Opposition spokesman on foreign and Com-monwealth affairs (Leeds, East, Lab) said: The deep penetration by the South African forces into the tetritory of Angola and Mozambique is not conducive to the prospect for a peaceful settlement.

Mr Luce: Violence from wherever it may come is not conducive to a settlement.

Mr Luce, answering further questious, he said: In Namibla three must be an end to bloodshed, free and fair elections, and a settlement that is recognised internationally. The Prime Minister will be having discussions with the new United States administration next week. All the parties, including the United States, will be anxious to find ways of moving forward.

#### Awaiting US report on El Salvador

It was important that EEC countries wait to hear the view of the United States Government on the situation in El Salvador before deciding on common action, Sir Ian Gilmour, Lord Privy Seal, explained.

He had been asked by Mr Denis Healey, chief Opposition spokesman on foreign and Common-wealth affairs (Leeds, East, Lab) if the Government would support the initiative of the Bonn Government to promote a broader based conference of all the parties in the civil war in El Salvador to try and bring that tragic conflict to an

There is (he said) some danger of the American government promoting action in this area which would be to the disadvantage to the EEC and Europe as a whole.

Sir Ian Gilmour (Chesham and Amersham C): Ambassador Eagle-burger is at present visiting capi-tals in Europe to discuss this ques-tion and he is coming to see me tomorrow (Thursday.) It was agreed yesterday that any decision on heard the opinion of Ambassador Eagleburger.

Mr Staniey Newens (Harlow, Lab) : Many people in this country are horrified by the moral and military support now being given to the military-junts there with its appail-ing secord of murder, political assasination and terror.

Sir Ian Gilmour: It is important we should wait to hear what the American government has to say. There has undoubtedly been dis-agreeable violence by both sides in El Salvador.

#### Champagne jaunts by MEPs attacked

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Widespread outrage had been caused by the insensitive extravagance of the recent joint to Columbia by 36 members of the European Parliament and their caravan of staff and interpreters numbering 67. Mr William Hamilton (Central Fife, Lab) said when successfully seeking leave to bring in a Bill to amend the European Communities Act 1972 to provide that matters relating to the expenditure of the European Parliament should be directly accountable to the Council of Ministers.

accountable to the Council of Ministers.

Mr Hamilton, a former member of the nominated European Parliament, said the party had all travelled first class and the estimated cost of the trip was 2550,000. Six of the members were from the United Kingdom, five Conservative Conservative, and one Mr Lomas, the well-known radical from Lou-don, travelling return to Bogota from London at £1,600 per head. This week a further party of MEPs had winged their champagne way to Australia and New Zealand for a fortnight in the sun and another delegation was already in

It was difficult for an MP to get at the facts of these jaunts, the cost and the reasons for going, etc. Some information was publicly available.

The total budget of the European Parliament in 1979 was 574.6m; in 1980 appropriations were £119.8m and in 1981 £125.5m. In 1980 £3m of that was for contributions to the secretarial expenses of political groups plus other political activities and expenses for contacts with other parliaments outside the EEC. In 1981 that figure would go up to

It was difficult even to find out the salary of the secretary general of the parliament in Luxembourg. He got on to the Commons library, they spoke to the Foreign Office, they referred the library to the European office in London, they passed the question to Luxembourg, and Luxembourg refused to answer it. (Laughter.)

fused to answer it. (Laughter.)

But a parliamentary reply had told him the highest grades of salary in the Parliament, A 1, ranged from £42,173 to £52,529. That was two years ago but on the basis of inflation the head of the Parliament must be in receipt of at least £60,000 a year plus all the perks.

He (Mr Hamilton) happened to be a member of the assembly for three years before direct electrons.

A Labour MP: On the gravy train.
Mr Hamilton: Yes, on the gravy
train as he rightly says.

He had secured access to the accounts of the Socialist Group of 67 MEPs out of the 198. The total assets of the group on Dec-ember 31, 1975, were 3,210,480 Beigian francs, about £50,000. In addition it had investments of £70,000 and got a subsidy from the Parliament of about £117,000. It

Parliament of about £117,000. It must be much greater now.

According to the Paily Mail the Conservative group got in 1981 a subsidy of £228,000 from the Parliament. They were in surplus of £200,000. Cash was rolling out of their ears. They did not know what to do with it.

Leave to bring in the Biff was given by 138 votes to nil and it was read a first time.

Mr Robert Brown (Newcastle upon Tyne, West, Lab) said one only had to look at football grounds to

seeking a diversion from the dole queue.

He would hate to think young unemployed people in his constituency would end up marching around with the thugs of the National Front.

Mr John Grant, an Opposition spokesman on employment, (Islington, Central, Lab) said this pitiful little Bill was a classic example of the grotesque cost to the nation of the misguided, inappropriate and callous policies the Government was pursuing.

Mr Robert Cryer (Kelgbley, Lab), intervening, said that militant action by the miners had stopped the loss of jobs.

The miners (he said) have clearly won game, set and match. Pit closures apparently are being withdrawn and more money being provided. The answer must be for the trade union movement to get organized and then we will not need all these Bills.

Mr Grant said he had heard the

have much respect for those wh

It would be entirely wrong to reduce the scale of payment to those declared redundam. Mr. David Waddington, Under Secretary for Employment (Clitheroe, C) said when he moved the second reading of the Redundancy Fund Bill.

The Eill, he said, aimed to raise the limits set by the Employen that could be borrowed by the Redundancy Fund English to reduce the help to employers to the House with further legislation to reduce the help to employers who by definition were in the depths of a severe depression to raise the borrowing limit again. It was not sensible or right in the depths of a severe depression to reduce the bell take into account the fund and this could be raised to E60m by order approved by both Houses of Parliament. The Bill would enable the fund to be introduced in anticipation of new redundancies, the new borrowing to fix the options and to reduce the scale of payments to those unfortunate enough to have been declared redundant.

It was not sensible or right in the depths of a severe depression to raise the borrowing limit again. The Bill had to be introduced in anticipation of new redundancies, the new borrowing limit; was expected to cover, how long the new limit was expected to last and when the height of a severe depression to raise the borrowing limit again. The Bill had to be introduced in anticipation of new redundancies, the paywed in anticipation of new redundancies. The would be entirely wrong to cover, how long the new limit was expected to cover, how long the new limit was expected to cover, how long the new limit was expected to cover, how long the new limit was expected to cover many redundancies. The would be entirely wrong to cover, how long the new limit was expected to cover was planting to redundant. To reduce the help to employers the borrowing limit again. The Bill had to be introduced in anticipation of new redundancies. The sall had to be introduced in anticipation of new redundancies. The sall had to be introduced in anticipation of new redundancies. The sall had to be introduced

The Government should give projections and calculations about redundancy and employment levels which existed io his department but which he had concealed from the House and the country. What were the Government calculations about the cost of unemployment to the public sector borrowing require-ment?

On public expenditure cuts, the Government seemed unable to make the logical connexion het-ween their frequent claims that they were reducing manpower in the public sector and the resulting unemployment and redundancy. It was a crazy economy when people doing useful jobs like bus drivers, dustmen and school dinner ladies were thrown out of work by cuts in the rate support grant and had to be maintained and compensated by public expenditure and borrowing brought about by the self-same cuts.

The Government's policies had

of the complete failure of the Government's economic policy.

In December the rate of depletion from the fund was £15m a month. Last month it was depleted at the rate of £20m a month. The The Government's policies had lacerated and mangled Britain's economy and this pathetic Eill sought to apply a poulitie to these almost fatal wounds. ing powers of the redundancy fund was caused by the massive haemorrhage of jobs.

#### Game, set and match to miners

State fund replenished as the

number of redundancies grows

increase the borrowing powers of the fund to carry through the period of deficit and, for the time being, to direct the whole of the employment protection allocation to the redundancy fund.

He made no apology for the furrease in size of the borrowing powers. Levels of unemployment were an important factor but not the only one. It was impossible to do very much more than make

rough and ready estimates of future demand. On the limits chosen, the Government was asking for sufficient margins and flexibility in the administration of

Mr Eric Varley, chief Opposition spokesman on Employment (Ches-terfield, Lab), said the need for the Bill was the flual confirmation of the complete failure of the

enormous increase in the borrow

the fund.

Mr Robert Cryer (Keighley, Lab) said there were opportunities, if the Government would only take them, to reduce the lengthening dole queues, but its economic policies were creating the level of unemployment.

Fund Bill.

The Sill, he said, aimed to raise the limits ser by the Employment Protection (Consolidation). Act 1978 on the amount that could be borrowed by the Redundancy Fund from the National Loans Fund. At present the fund could borrow up to £16m and this could be raised to £40m by order approved by both Houses of Parliament. The Bill would enable the fund to borrow up to £200m and provide for this limit to be raised to £300m with parliament-ary approval.

ry approval. The Redundancy Fund was used

The Redundancy Fund was used to pay rebates to employers who had made statutory redundancy payments to employees. The rate of rebate at present was 41 percent. In addition where an employer was insolvent both redundancy payments and debts such as arrears of pay or holiday pay which were due were paid from the fund.

Last April the fund was substantially in surplus and because of that the Government reduced the employers contribution from

the employers contribution from 0.2 per cent of salary to 0.15 per cent. The surplus in the fund at the end of April was 1144m.

Then it began to fall and as the numbers of redundancies grew through the second half of the year the decline accelerated and

it was obvious some action would have to be taken.

The Government could have reduced the scale of redundancy payments; it could have reduced

Instead of this Bill, they should be discussing an investment fund Bill so they could invest in manu-facturing industry to develop job opportunities and greats tobaopportunities and create jobs.

Mr Barry Porter (Bebington and Ellesmere Port, C) said it was more sensible to provide generous redundancy payments for people who were in uneconomic jobs than to try to pretend the jobs they were doing existed.

Mr Kenneth Lewis (Rutland and Stamford, C) said that MPs must bring their minds to bear on what to do about the people between 50 and 65, those most affected by

Much of the capital sum paid in redundancy could be turned into an early pension.

There was a case for looking at the question of how they paid the two so that redundancy and pen-sious could be married up and pensions paid, selectively, at ages earlier than 65.

With new industries being low labour intensive and old industries going out being high labour-intensive, unemployment would not only escalate, but it would never be possible to bring it down.

mead all these Bills.

Mr Grant said he had heard the same bit of news. Mr Cryer had a fair point. If it was the case, it was a remarkable U-turn in a remarkabl ably short space of time. It did seem to illustrate that a little bit of muscle sometimes worked with a Government which did not seem to

did not have muscle.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer was trapped in a victors circle of spending cuts most of which were utterly false economies. He was presiding over the funeral of large

see the way the evils of extreme parts of British industry for which ine Prime Minister was an enthuseached to youngsters who were seeking a diversion from the dole.

Mr James Prior, Secretary of State Mr James Prior, Secretary of State

Mr James Frior, Secretary of State for Employment (Lowestoft, C) said payments from the Redundancy Fund would continue to be made on the same bosis as they had before. There was no indication that the Government would make

any changes.

The Bill was designed to deal with a deficit. It was expected the deficit would be temporary and that after a time it should right

There were no proposals for changing the existing basis of taxation on redundancy payments. Simple reflation, if it wers an option open to them, would not have the effect of reducing unemployment, except by a comparatively small margin. That was why they had to get down the rate of inflation. The problem was the level of labour unit costs. Britzin had beomce a less competitive

It was their objective over a period to convert the youth oppor-tunities programme into a trainesship for every young person who did not get any form of training after leaving school.

They were aware of the short-comings of the redundancy pay-ments system. There should per-haps be an opportunity for a fur-ther review of the whole system. It might be necessary for more radical solutions to be considered

The Bill was read a second time and passed its remaining stages.

#### Architecture

## Pyrrhic victory for preservationists

By Charles McKean
The new West End branch of the
Royal Bank of Scotland in Princes
St, Edinburgh, comes close to
giving the external appearance of
not being a building at all. What
one sees, looking down Lothian
Road, is a non façade, consisting
of a repaired traditional stone
fromage surrounded by an of a repaired traditional frontage surrounded by an L-shaped glass curtain wall with solid banding. It is an appearance which arouses strong feelings. One which arouses strong feelings. One architect's view was that the building is "symptomatic of the times: nobody cares about architecture any more". Yet, gives that the architects were Sir Basil Spence Golver and Ferguson, that judgment cannot be true: The Spence Golver and rerguson, that judgment cannot be true: The architects cared, the planners cared even more strongly, and the Cockburn Society cared, as usual, more vohemently than everybody else. So how did this happen? else. So how did this happen?

The difficulty goes back to the feeling that in the Edinburgh New Town uniforthity is the norm. A long time ago, Princes Street lost that uniformity in a welter of Victorian and later stores, and the informed view of the 1960s was that there was no building in Princes Street worth keeping. So we lost the New Club but Jenners and Forsythis were slower, and are likely to remain. The professionals felt that the new Princes Street should be uniform, and devised a new "form" for buildings within which some variation was per-

which some variation was per-mitted, but whose impact was totally determined by the masstotally determined by the massing.

The new form consisted of retail at ground floor, with an upper level open walkway (allegedly a la Chester) oversailed by two storeys above. There are a good number of new buildings in Princes Street with this baleful shape. Evidently, once an upper level walkway has begun, the death sentence has been passed on all older buildings which do not have such a walkway. This scheme was called the "Princes Street Plan". It lasted over 10 years before fashion and conservation changed.

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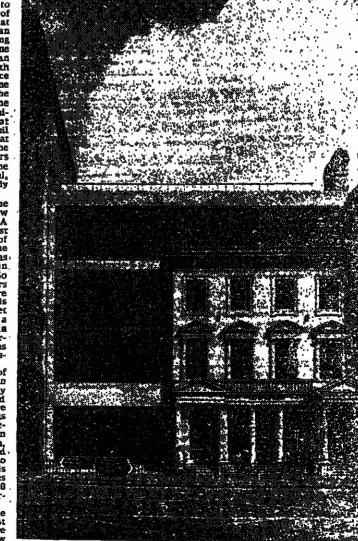
In comes the proposal by the Royal Bank to redevelop the West End branch and, possibly, share some space with Binns (now Frasers) next door. The depredations in Princes Street had caused an overreaction. The plan was breached, the upper level walkway interrupted, and the word went out to preserve at all costs. The end result of hard negotiation is the preservation of a neo-Italianate facade of 1888 by John McLachian and a new facade adjacent, and above.

above.
What is unusual in the annals What is umusual in the annais of preservation is the way the architects have treated the preservation of the stone façade as just that: a façade. Not only is there no attempt to create the feeling of an original building behind, but the actual detail gives the impression from the street that the neor had to persuade its inter-ment had to persuade its inter-national partners. That was prov-ing difficult but was likely in the end to be the course along which they should proceed. The debate concluded. The Trees (Replanting and Re-placement Bill completed its com-mittee stage. pression from the street that the stone is stuck by glue to a glass backing. At night, the interior lighting strides across old window.

ittee stage. House adjourned, 8.49 pm.

Parliamentary notices House of Commons
Today at 2.50. Water Bill, remaining
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Stages, Proceedings on House of
Members' Fund and Paritamentary Persions Bill, Motion on
Members' salaries and possons.

lighting strides across old window embrasures clearly demonstrating the unity of the huge space hehind. The original pedimented stone porch has become the fire exit, and a symmetrical stone porch three bays away contains the cashpoint. The entrance, in sharp contradiction to the original function of the porticos is Today at 3: Wildlife and Rift, committee (seventh



The West End branch of the Royal Bank of Scotland in

portoned metal screen. This treatment actually reduces the preservation of that stone façade to a total nonsense: . Compounded by the continuation of the glazed fourth storey above and behind the stone parapet which is, in turn, topped by a disproportionate zinc glazed mansard roof.

What is lost by this reservation zinc glazed mansard roof.

What is lost by this preservation is the opportunity to create a unified façade which could face up Lothian Road and demonstrate any character. It is a Pyrrhic vic-

portioned metal screen.

any character. It is a Pyrrhic victory for the preservationists.
Inside, all is different. Here the architect's own character appears, in an expensive and cheerful bank which contains a woman's branch (complete with coffee room). The style is 1950s, with a lurid, green striped carpet, and raiher heavy oak furnishings. The new glazed façade, however, provides a backdrop to the finest feature of this building; the floating staircase which rises function of the porticos, is floating staircase which rises through the columns between, closed at night by a particularly closed at night by a particularly pro- the beautifully detailed curved

This stone lift shaft, is the most excitthe preide to a
ded by
glazed
behind
is, in Edinburgh as one mounts the
staircase. So fine, indeed, is this
circulation area that it contrasts
strangely with the remainder of
the building, which is good, but
not special. Indeed, it seems to
lack some of the touches of
fashion and excitement after which
banks are striving these days.

In sum, this is not a building In sum, this is not a building that shows a lack of care. It may demonstrate the wrong type of care, and it could be that given care, and it could be that given the preservation of the façade, the architects should have made greater efforts to integrate it into the new building behind. What is true, however, is that this develop-ment is an exemplar of many of the present difficulties facing architecture, and is worth a visit to see one method of solution.

to see one method of solution.

#### There was no point in raking over east matters relating to oil sanciors imposed on Rhodesia, Mr

tichard Luce, Under Secretary for oreign and Commonwealth ir Frank Dotson (Camden, Holiorn and St Pancras, South, Lab) iom and St Pantras, South, Law, and ssked if the Lord Privy Seal Sir Ian Gilmour) would recomtend to the Lord Chancellor that apers relating to the imposition f oil sanctions should be released. ir Luce (Shoreham, C): No. It is or the practice of the Foreign and ommonwealth Office to release fficial papers less than 30 years

ic Dobson: The lamentable ir Dobson: In Table 18 mesty agnounced for sanctions usters by the Attorney General Sir Michael Havers) on December 7, 1979, makes it clear no one isk prosecution if their traiterous ad illegal activities are revealed.

Why does the Government perst in the cover-up of this information when it would be useful for the future as to who was involved those operations and what they ere doing, in vew of the fact that is Government is committed to is likelihood of mandatory saucous against South Africa?

ir Luce: I am surprised Mr Dobin thinks it was wrong to create its amnesty when ir was right to tate one in so many other theres as part of the spirit of tooclitation in the new Zimbre

#### withdrawal by Israel to the 1967 borders must be balanced by Pales-tinian recognition of Israel. ments. When I was in Jordan President Hassan told me that the Israelis have annexed or taken over or taken illegally something like 38 per cent of the West Bank. That is a frightening figure. Pelestinians. I agree that the Jordanian Streatham, C): While the PLO popular is not an option. When I was in the Middle East, King of the state of israel, it would be

The policy of the British Steel Corporation was to match lower prices from competition and not to lead in setting lower prices. Mr Norman Tebbit, Minister of State for Industry, said when moving the second reading of the Iron and Steel (Borrowing Powers) Bill.

Mr Tebbit (Waltham Forest, Chingford C) said the Bill raised the limit on the amount of finance which the BSC and its wholly owned subsidiaries could borrow by £500m—from £5,500m to

There was provision for the limit to be raised by order of a further £1,000m, but it was boped it would

The Bill was basically an interim measure intended primarily to enable the corporation to continue in operation while decisions were reached on the corporate plan. The Government's response to the MacGregor plan would be in, two stages. There would be a statement to the House announcing the Government review of the plan. The Government would then introduced by the beauty of the plan.

financial reconstruction. Joseph) had already made it clear to Mr MacGregor that he should ensure that BSC should compete fairly with the private sector. He had also drawn his attention to the increase in complaints that the PSC's pricing policy was unfairly BSC's pricing policy was unfairly undercutting private sector profits. Mr MacGregor had assured him that BSC did not set price levels

for steel below those of imports but they did have to match them, as did private sector companies, if they were to remain in business.

ments.

duce a further Bill to deal with the future of the corporation and its The Secretary of State (Sir Keith

BSC policy is to match competitive prices

prices at the level in their former price at the level in their former price lists. That state of affairs no longer existed. The strike opened up the British market to its com-petitors and things would never be puite the same again. Mr MacGregor had personally undertaken to examine allegations

Mr John Cunningham, an Opposi-tion spokesman on industry. (Whi-tehaven, Lab) said it was important that the Bill should be given a second reading because there was a huge crisis in the steel industry in the private and public sectors.

BSC could no longer maintain

That crisis was tragically under-lined by the news from Sheffield of the loss of a further 1200 jobs at British Steel was in a particu-larly bad situation by being bur-dened with massive investment loan charges, increasing overheads

and unit costs as capacity utili-sation went down and down. BSC's capital reconstruction was long One of the sad things about the Bill was that it meant a further postponement of a decision on the MacGregor proposals. These could not be sensibly be postponed for much longer in the interests of the private sector as well as BSC.

Mr MacGregor had said the corporation would act aggressively to regain its share of the market. But he had not made any attempt to take over the position in the mar-

Where was the evidence that the corporation had been doing what it was accused of doing? Why was the vaccuum created during the steel strike not filled by private sector companies?

sector companies?

The market share went overwhelmingly to foreign producers of
steel and if the United Kingdom
steel manufacturers were to have
any future there had to be arrangements for the public and private
sector which would allow for the
clawing back of imports which
were now nearer 30 per cent of the
steel consumed in the United Kingdom.

It did not make sense t osee jobs It did not make sense t osee jobs disappearing at the rate they were because of imported steel which could just as well be manufactured by United Kingdo m companies. The Opposition would have no objection to short-term assistance to the private sector and it welcomed the proposal of joint venture companies.

A decision should be announced on the MacGregor proposals. 33.

on the MacGregor proposals as quickly as possible. The Govern-ment should be more open about what was taking place.

Mr Edward du Cann (Taunton, C) said the House was being asked to vore \$500m and potentially a further £1,000m to bring the aggregate of borrowings by and investment in the BSC to the astounding total sum of £7,000m.

Over the last 13 years BSC had clocked up a total loss of £1,528m and its borrowings had gone up to £5,080m. This is a rake's progress (be said.) All the time the

The cash outflow for the finan-cial year would be £1,200m. He estimated the saleable tomage was about eight millions. The best esti-

mate for the loss per tonne of steel produced by BSC was about £150. BSC was quoting prices far below what the most efficient pri-vate steelmakers could quote. The corporation was selling at a loss. There was unfair competition. If it were not for the taxpayer's cash BSC would be in the hands of the

The aquusition of downstream activities by BSC should be probl-bited BSC's first and only responsibility was to produce steel at a lower cost.

There was to be a further measure brought before the House soon. He would not feel abl eto support any proposal unless they had had an opportunit yto see BSC's plan and discuss it. There should be no more cash until MPs knew what was going to be done with it.

If the House was to be called upon to vote for such substantial sums he would not be able to entertain such proposals unless he was entirely satisfied there was going to be in the future a continuing partnership between the priing partnership between the pri-vate and public sector.

Mr Frank Hooley (Sheffield, Rec-ley, Lab) said the Government's policies were placing an involerably and impossible burden upon the

## Airlines showing spirit of innovation in grim market

tere was no sensible justification ere was no sensible justification remaining a member of LATA. 

For Glenkinglas (C) said in open
a dehate on the state of the 
lish civil aviation industry, with 
etial reference to the condition 
d situation of British Airways 
the airports operated by the 
tish Airports Authority. IATA 
s just an expensive nonsense, a 
n-tariff barrier to trade which 
wild be anickly removed, he uld be quickly removed, he

d. Glenkinglas, who as Mr chael Noble, was Minister for ade from 1970 to 1972 with ponsibility for civil aviation, pousibility for civil aviation, d that if it was true that compeon was a good thing he did not leve it to he true that total nperiodn was totally satisfacty. He did not believe that giving mybody routes into Hongkong 150 on to Australia was necess-I so on to Australia was necess-ly for the good of British avia-

n as a whole. Ie would like the Government to ak a bit about the pooling of lines. This was the negation of merition in any real sense, the pooling operation, if 100 pic wished to travel by Swissair m Zurich to London and one son by British Airways it did really matter what happened: h got half of the fares. There no sensible way in which comition worked to improve a ser-e when there was a services

Ponsonby of Shulbrede ab), for the Opposition, said the tish Airways was its financial ubles. Its revenue was £300m wn on expectations last year and problem seemed to be worsen-

As the airports authority entered a period of, intensive capital expenditure it needed to attract external finance. It was up to the Government to give support and to act as a broker in encouraging private investment and underprivate investment and writing future programmes.

The endiess debares about Map-lin, Stansted and a bigger Heath-row failed to mention the user. There was no God-given guarantee of the continued high level involvement of Eritish airports with the airline industry. Efforts should continue to make them attractive continue to make for airlines to use. Lord Trefgame, Lord in Waiting, intervened to announce that legal proceedings on British airports charges had been set down for January. 1982 so this matter was sub judice.

Earl Amberst (L) said he won dered if agreements, particularly those on fares, should be revised. Some airlines opposed reductions for their own linancial reasons and then got their governments to use the reto.

The Earl of Kimberley (C) said The Earl of Kimberiey (C) said other carriers showed great interest in the fattest routes because BA had developed them with money and expertise. But there did not seem to be many applications for the loss propuler routes where for the less popular routes where there were no scheduled services.

locked out of the executive lounge when there was no room left. The restriction of competition could not be in the interest of the

restrictive, tare-fixing cartel.

Lady Burton of Coventry (Lab)
said her aim was that cheaper and/
or discount air tickets should be on
sale at all retail outlets and available to all travellers. She was told
that some 40 major airlines discounted to their own bucket shop

operators.

At present the so-called bucket shops sold an estimated five multion tickets a year in Britain at prices up to 60 per cent lower than the Government-approved fares as airlines tried to fill seats that would otherwise be empty.

would otherwise be empty.

If an airline or charterer sold a ticket to a passenger who had not paid the full approved fare set by the Civil Aviation Authority they were committing an offence aithough the person buying the ticket was in the clear. It was nonsense to have a law that people and the Government ignored. Lord Campbell of Crey (C) said severely handicapped people did not travel unnecessarily. To have a financial penalty on flying wheel-chair passengers must be wrong. In the International Year of Disabled People this was surely the time for

Lord Orr-Ewing. (C) said first class passengers, often business people. expected a little more courtesy and comfort at London airport and did not expect to be locked out of the executive lounge.

Change.

Lord Glenarthur (C) said he urged the Government to support the aerospace industry, not only in pure helicopters and the need to refine them but to consider the the Government to support the aerospace industry, not only in pure helicopters and the need to refine them but to consider the logical extension of vertical flight through helicopters. Vertical through belicopters. Vertical flight (he said) has been under-mined by the rather illogical and

when the pooling agreement must be abolished in the interests of competition and improved cabin service. The Government should get out of LATA which was a restrictive, fare-fixing cartel.

The time was coming outdated thinking of part of the regulatory amborities.

The Earl of Cork and Orrery (C) said the only real difficulty in a side as opposed to Stansted would be the difficulty in persuading said the only real difficulty in having a new airport at Seventide as opposed to Stansted would be the difficulty in persuading airline operators to use it. airline operators to use it.

Lord Gisborough (C) said whatever the court decision the BAA
should strive immediately for efficiency and economy rather than
demanding higher charges. The
cold wind of competition was
blowing even into Heathrow and
if airlines left the airport the
situation there could only get
worse.

Lord Trefgarne said that after the industry recovered from the 1973 oil price rises, in 1979-80 world-wide economic factors began to lead to a second trough in airline fortunes. This began with greater oil price rises than the industry had assumed, compounded by the world economic recession. world ecodomic recession. The state of the airline market now can (he said) be described only as grim.

only as grim.

All Britaln's airlines, however, public or private, showed the spirit of innovation necessary to succeed in such a rapidly changing and increasingly competitive international industry.

Some argued that BEA and BOAC should not have been merged but the Government felt it would be folly to reverse the process when so much had been done.

He wished to correct some misinformed comment about BA. The Government had agreed that BA may borrow £85m more in 1980-81 and the cash would come from banks as it did for all airline toans,

at commercial rates of interest. The £85m was not a subsidy from Government funds.

Profits could be made from low fares only if an airline's costs were continued within the commensurate levels and future successful airlines would be those which maximized efficiency in the use of capital assets and labour.

In its bilateral negotiations with other European countries the Government would cominue to argue vigorously for the introduction of fares which Britain's airlines wished to charge and which the Government believed were reasonable. Government funds.

h was wrong that the market ould be restricted in a way that

should be restricted in a way that.

led to the kind of abuse and illegalities, the House had discussed
recently in connexion with bucket
shops. This was a matter which he
and his department intended to
pursue with the utmost vigour.

To change the law the Government had to nextude its inter-

Rugby Union

Yorkshire

hope to

halt Burgess

By Peter West
Rugby Correspondent
Yorkshire have launched a blistering attack on the proposals
embodied in the report of John
Burgess's playing sub-committee,
which is to be discussed and perhaps adopted in whole or in part
by the full committee of the
Rugby Football Union when it
meets in London tomorrow, Yarkshire warrs to see the religit

shire wants to see the rejort rejected or, at the least, put before the next annual meeting of the RFU in July.

In a memorandum circulated to all members of the full RFU con-mittee. Yorkshire assert, because the details of the Burgess report

only reached them over the first weekend in February, the member clubs, amounting to some 130 of so large a county union as theirs, have not had time to give them

'bulldozer'

Football

#### Drinks all round as Exeter end 50-year wait

By Nicholas Harling
Exeter C 4

From that part of the country
which is better known for its
cider, dairy products and Dartmoor than its football emerged
last night one of the FA Cup's
most unlikely quarter-finalists,
Exeter City, who must now visit
the favourites, Tottenham Hotspur.
No doubt the cider was used
in large quantities in celebration
of Exeter's achievement. For not of Exeter's achievement. For not in 50 years had they reached the last eight until they overwhelmed Newcastle, whose past is one of the most illustrious in the competition, and whose journey home by air must have been a distressing one with the delirious chant of 4—0, 4—0 still ringing in their

ears.
As they left the pitch after the fifth-round replay the Exeter players seemed in no hurry to reach the dressing-rooms. When reach the dressing-rooms. When they did get these they toasted to their success, not in cider, but more appropriately in champagne. And as his men raised their glasses Brian Godfrey, their manager, said: "We have seen off the Magpies and the Lions. I don't see why we cant's see off the Cockerels. We can beat any side from any division on our day". Out on t hat field the Exeter team lapped up a noise that must have been champagne to their ears—singing supporters. The older ones, those who have been content over the years to watch fourth and more recently third division football, stood in the stand, radiant expressions of pride on their faces. on their faces.

Exeter's programme had remin-ded Newcastle of their catalogue of mishaps against sides from lower divisions and Exeter added to their

Non-League

banned by FA

The Football Association have banned structural changes among senior non-League competitions.

An FA spokesman said: "We have talked to leagues and now

we are going to find out what clubs want. We shall be calling a series of regional meetings with them.

"If there is a consensus of what the majority want, we shall act on it. The minority will have to fall into line. Non-league football is crying out for an organized structure and we want to give the senior clubs the structure they want."

The ban will stop senior leagues

from increasing their numbers over that allowed by their constitutions or changing their formats for the coming season. It may be extended

for further seasons. It may be extended for further seasons.

It will not hait the move of Isthmian League clubs Enfield and Dagenham to the Alliance Fremier League next season. The Alliance has 20 clubs and its constitution allows for 22. An agreement for promotion between the Isthmian and Athenian convenients.

nd Athenian competitions will proceed for similar reasons.

proceed for similar reasons.

However, it will stop the Souththe League's plan next season for
a premier division, aimed at formig a loose association with the
istivations in 1932-3 with leading
clints from each creating a "semiprofessional league (Southern)".

WELSH CUP: 10th round: Swansee
City 4, Maesies Park 1.
ALLIANCE PREMIER LEAGUE:
Frickoly Athletic ", Barrow ")
SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Southern diviston: Addicatone and Weybridge 3,
Andover 0.

ONFORDSHIRE SENIOR CUP: Third round: Oxford City 2, Horris Motors 6, USU ChampionShip: Seni (Ind.) round: Oxford 1, Longhbornugh 2.

changes



embarrassment by the most emphatic of scorelines. They did not even need a goal from the League's top scorer, Kellow, to help them, although he was a constant thorn in Newcastle's defence.

in Newcastie's detence.
Driven on by their captain, Delve, Exeter attacked in droves throughout the first ball, and were rewarded by three goals by half-time. They must have made the watching Tottenham manager Kolth Burkinshaw feel doubly grateful that his side had come out of the

Exeter, on their own trim ground, which seems to be almost submerged beneth the level of the narrow streets that encompass it, and with a raucous following who filled every nook and crauny, would be a match for anyone.

Newcastle were to discover to what extent by the fourteenth minute when Hatch opened

By Norman Fox
Football Correspondent
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Stoke City 1 Nottingham F 2
Nottingham Forest's tight-fisted away record this season was less evident at the Victoria Ground last night when in a game of surprising dedication their younger element again benefited from the undiminished talent of Trevor Francis.

Francis.

For a match of indefinite purpose, Stoke City, being safely routed in mid-table and Forest, more interested in the FA Cup, the quality of determination from both teams warmed a bitter night.

Something more than the fact that Forest grasped an early piece of good fortune inserted an aggressive outlook. From the outset, tackles were full-hearted and the youthful Forest players trying to establish permanent players. Stratt

youthful Forest players trying to establish permanent places—Stuart Gray, Walsh, Gunn and Mills—probably gained from the unexpectedly fierce action

The mistake that Doyle perpetrated in the eighth minute eventually proved impossible for Stoke to rectify. It was one of those instinctive interventions that are 1/2 forgiveable when a ball is struck hard across the goalmouth. Walsh had spread the home defence with his pass out to Mills whose low cross could have been turned in by Francis but Doyle got the first unfortunate touch to deflect the ball into the net.

If Stoke were to regret that

If Stoke were to regret that error more and more as Chapman, their young forward, suffered a

headers, equally they could blame themselves for not taking the lead in only the third minute when

Francis and Forest youth

show a new aggression

straight from an luswinging right-wing corner, the ball plopping inches over the line as Johnson and his goalkeeper Carr got in each other's way trying to Clear it. each other's way trying to clear it.

Newcastle protested that the ball
had not crossed the line, but they
could have no arguments about
the second goal. Hatch had a
hand, or rather two, in that one
as well, for his throw was flicked
on by Kellow for Pearson, with
his back to goal to hook cleverly
over the head of Carr.

With more time to consider

with more time to consider his next chance. Pearson drove his shot wide of a post, having intercepted a pass from Trewick that was intended for Carney. Exeter's third goal was not long in coming, for in the 42nd minute they scored again, Newcastle disputing its legality once more. They claimed with some justi-

astrous back pass direct to Chap-man who made a terrible hash of his attempted shot. Chapman, a member of Eng-land's Under-21 party, did nothing for his future when failing to find proper direction, for a header immediately in front of Shilton, and for another, again from a good striking position. A shot high over the bar from another juviding

the bar from another inviting position confirmed that Chapman was not to be the man to give Stoke the equaliser they deserved

Stoke the equaliser they deserved For all of Francis's astomishing speed, and the full refreshing employment of Robertson and Mills on the wings, Forest were hustled into mistakes. Their defence stood by when, after 51 minutes, they half cleared a free kick but allowed Chapman to return the ball and Heath to have room to volley it past Shilton.

prone in the penalty area he could not have been affecting play when Hatch accepted a pass from Forbes' in an offside from Forbes in an offside position. Peter Rogers teached in the cross to score the goal he deserved for the selfless running that stretched Newcastle on both Clanks throughout.

Exeter easily withstood the extra pressure and scored a fourth goal two minutes from the end when their right back, Martyn Rogers, side-footed the ball hame from close range. New-castle's humiliation was complete. EXETER CITY: L. Bond: M. Rogers.
Sparrow, R. Forbes, L. Roberts, P.
Joberts, I. Pearand, P. Rogers, A.
Cellow, J. Deivo, P. Hatch, Sub, R. Proti NEWCASTLE UNITED: K. Carr; S. Carney, P. Johnson, N. Walker, S. Boam, B. Kalliday, A. Shoulder, J. Trowick, R. Clance, K. Wharlon, 19ub, J. Browniller, C. Waddle, Rotarco, R. Bridges, Decalde),

#### Two games in two days are two too many

advance without really listering to what those objecting to its provisions had to say.

Yorkshire stressed that Rugby Union is an amateur game played for relaxation and enjoyment by 120,000 participants and an even greater number of schoolboys.

On the subject of the club leagues proposed in the Burgess report, Yorkshire say that the formation of an elite system of lubs will lead to "shamateurism" and professionalism and produce a "win at all costs" approach to the game. Moreover they claim that instinution of such a system in the north of England would require "enormous reorganization and paid secretarial assistance".

Predictably Yorkshire also spring to the defence of the county championship which, if the Burgess report went through, would not include players in the 21-strong squad of the 20 clubs in the two premier leagues. While acknowledging that the competition has weaknesses, Yorkshire say that it still offers the best representative matches

The county is also totally opposed to the concept of inter-Perry Digweed, the Brighton goalkeeper, and Nick Reid and Steve Mackenzie, of Manchester City were yesterday denied the chance of making their first appearances in an England under-21 shirt next week. matches
The county is also totally opposed to the concept of interdivisional matches (for which the
Burgess committee has enviaged
that three Saturdays be set aside)
as being "non-events and a dismal prospect for a handful of
speciators"

They have become the latest victims of the age-old club and country controversy. Their places in the squad for the game with the Republic of Ireland at Anfield on Wednesday go to lan Hesford, of Blackpool, Mark Smith, of Sheffield Wednesday, and Mark Proctor, of Middlesbrough.

Digweed, plucked from the ob-scurity of Fulham reserves a scority of Fulnam reserves a month ago for £150,000, is wanted by Brighton for their rearranged league game against Southampton the previous night when Reid and Mackenzie will figure in 'City's line-up at Arsenal.

The managers, Alan Mullery, of Brighton, and John Bond, of City, had said they would not object to the players appearing twice in 24 hours. Ron Greenwood, the manager of England, did not

the England XV.

It has always seemed probable that Yorkshire would find allies enough among the hierarchy when the RFU committee came to discuss the future of the championship. What must be remembered is that Burgess and his committee were charged to make appropriate for the restructuring of Hesford was substitute goal-keeper in the 3—0 win over Nor-way in September; Smith, the Wednesday defender was a substitute against East Germany's under-21 team last April; and Proctor, the Middlesborough mid-field player, is included by Eugland for the first time.

return the ball and Heath to have room to volley it past Shilton.
Confirmation of Francis's full recovery from his worrying and time Consuming injury was gloriously evident when, five minutes from Stoke's equalizing goal, he left Doyle rusting in his tracks, made yards of space and centred for Walsh to enjoy a chance to score with a solid, accurate shot from a comfortable distance. Though Shilton three timese barred Stoke's way to another equalizer, blocking shots from Heath with his legs and deflecting O'Callaghan's belated shot with his chest, Forest's counter attacking was formidable.

STOKE CITY: P. For: P. A. Johnson, P. Hampton, A. Dodd, B. O'Callaghan, M. Dorie, P. Harcewell, A. Meath, L. Chapman, L. Litzem sub. P. Griffithst. J. Munro. Today's fixtures

ISTIMAN LEAGUE: First Division:
Wombley & Mctropolitan Police.
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Huddersfield:
Co Kildare.

P. Griffiths: J. Munro.
MOTTINGHAM FOREST: P. Ehilton:
V. Anderson. F. Grey. S. Gray. K.
Burns, B. Lunn. G. Mills, I. Wallace,
T. Francis, C. Walsh «sub., M.
O'Neilli. J. Robertson.
Roferes: M. Lowe (Sheffield).

Scottish Cap, fourth round

committee were charged to make proposals for the restructuring of the English game which would enhance the quality of play at the highest level. I hope the RFU committee will have the courage and the foresight tomorrow, in spite of the blast emanating from Yorkshire, at least to implement the Burgess proposals about cinb leagues and an inter-divisional Mourie and Morné The New Zealand rugby captain, Graham Mourie, who is opposed Graham Mourie, who is opposed to South Africa's planned tour of New Zealand, will play alongside the recently-retired South African captain, Morné du Plessis, in Paris on April 25. The two were invited by the Paris University Club for a celebration match on the same day that Wales meet their President's XV in Cardiff.

mal prospect for a handful of spectators."

In their view, adoption of the Burgess proposals would requir in the break-up of the present administration of the game. They hold that the county champion-ship should be strengthened along the lines of the two-der structure envisaged by the RFU subcommittee specifically charged to oversee that competition and that it should remain the principal channel of progress through to the England XV.

It has always seemed probable

classed and surprised at Durbam's pace, concentrated on spoiling rather than construction. Parker, markedly suspect when passing from right to left, often chose the wrong option.

Hetherington won good ball in the line and the flanker Bennett bustled threlessly. Crawshaw was the game's outstanding forward. For the winners, Bevan and Bruce-

lead and the latter tackling with great courage.

Durham should have scored a first-half try when Batten elected to try to score himself with Bruce-Lockhert clear outside him, a move greatly appreciated by the cover, which sank him without trace. The losers managed a try while in rampant control of the second half.

second nau.

Hughes their left wing, had been replaced by Burgess, who scored after a break in the centre by Bowen and a precisely timed pass Bowen and a precisely timed pass from Burles, This lone my had followed a penalty by Parker and for Durham, the neat drop goal by Chesworth. Durham will meet Looghborough Colleges in the final at Twicken-ham on March 4.

# attack and defence, both by their eye for an opening. Greenhalph scored St Mary's first iry. Alan Lewis made it with a dummying break from a lineout on St Bartholomew's 22. Paige, the London Irish scrum half. playing on the left wing, scored their second, a more speciacular effort. It began in their own half with Ralston kicking ahead and catching the ball. He linked with Dixon, whose pass gave Paige enough time and space to run in at the corner. Appleby kicked two penalties out of four for St.

There were three phases to this match. The first lasted 15 minutes, during which 5t Mary's stored two tries in their most imperious manner and deceived. ar the corner. Appleby Kicken two penalties out of four for St Bartholomew's, so that the halftime score was 8—6.

The promise of a taut and compenitive second half was not fulfilled. Scrappiness ruled. Greenhalgh kicked two penalties and Alnn Lewis dropped a goal from a ruck in front of the posts. Miles went off with a cut eye and Paige moved to full-back. In vain. Raiston set up one or two tryscoring positions. Thomas tried to make something out of little for St Bartholomew's. Snow began to fall and the cold made us welcome the final whistle like music.

ST MARV'S HOSPITAL: J. Miles 100 R. Harvey: A. Thomson, M. Greshalgh, G. Paige, C. Lewis, M. Embershalgh, G. Paige, C. Raislan, S. Patterson, P. Bartheld, C. Maldelton, M. Thomas, D. Reigh, B. Jasper, D. Thompson, J. Briggs, A. Din, A. Firspstick, Referee M. Frary Llondon. imperious manner and deceaved us into thinking there were more to follow. The second took us up to half time and proved that Sr Bartholomew's had no intention of being walked over. The third was the whole of the second half, when St Mary's confined St Parkelorew's we their own half Betholomew's to their own half for long periods without conclu-sively pierring their defence.

wondering whether he was going to or not. In other respects, he played very (well.

St Mary's had a good supply of the ball to be going on with, but St Bartholomew's forwards, with St Bartholomew's forwards, with Dun always in the thick of it, never wited, and the tackling of their backs, after those two early abertations, was solid enough. Once again, St Mary's relied on Alun Lewis and Raiston to read and manipulate the game for them, Lewis by the variety of his play, Raiston by his kicking in

Bravery of students is no

match for experience

By Alan Gibson

By Alan Gibson
Bath 24
Exeter University inherited a
formidable fixture list when they
absorbed St Luke's College. Bath

did them his courtesy last night

of fielding a strong side at the Recreation ground but some of the public appeal has department with the old mame and there was only a small crowd—though a very cold evening also had something to do with that.

Barh won by four goals to two

penalty goals, easily enough in the end, but the students played bravely, against greater weight and experience. At half-time they were actually ahead, by a penalty wal biology by the start of the sta

were actually ahead, by a penalty goal, kicked by Hogg, a centre threa-quarter who looks to be a very promising all-round player. Even in the second half, the university kept making occasional forays and though their only reward was another penalty by Hogg, they did enough to show that their wings could run fast. They streached the defence, although their stand-off half, McLeod, wasted some useful positions by dropping at goal—and, worse, lost precious moments by

St Mary's through with

something to spare

By Gordon Allan

St Mary's 17 St Bartholomew's 6

St Mary's who have won the Hospitals Cup competition for the

last three years, will play the London in the final on March 11. They beat St Bartholomew's at Richmond yesterday by two penalty goals, a dropped goal and two tries to two penalty goals.

two tries to two penalty goals without playing as well as they can or, perhaps, as well as they will need to in the final.

## Scrum half becomes the pivotal

By Peter Walker The decision of the five Welsh selectors to drop seven players and make two positional changes from the side outplayed by Scotland at Murrayfield was taken on the evening of February 14, the day before the public announcement. It was, in rugby terms, a St Valen-tine's Day massacre with the rub-bing out of distinguished men like J. P. R. Williams and Steve Fenwick and the wounding of the pride of Gareth Davies, who must surely return after a suitable

period of convalescence. The guas have now passed from the selectors into the hands of the young pretenders and in particular the new, untried Bridgend half-back pairing of Gerald Williams and Gary Pearce. What bullets the Welsh loose off against Ireiand on Saturday will weish 100se off against Ireland on Saturday will have to be loaded by these two whose sum total of experience against International opposition is last summer's B tour of North America and B caps against France at Neath.

Pearce might have been bred in Pearce might have been bred in the imaginary outside half factory immortalized in song by Max Boyce. Small, dark, quiet, he is 20 and in only his second season with Bridgend. Born in the Dyfed village of Laugharne, once the home of Dylan Thomas, Pearce took his inspiration from Barry John. Indeed, there is a strong resemblace in looks, attitude and style. Pages certies with him the resemblingee in looks, artitude and style. Pearca carries with him the same air of unruffled caim, is a beautiful kicker of the ball from the hand and is a swift passer of the ball.

His instincts are to seize a half His instincts are to seize a half opening and make the break himself, particularly from open play. If he has a discernible weakness. Pearce can be a nervous starter but outside him he will have the vast experience of two British Lions, Gravell and (to a leaser degree) Morgan; a glance the other way will reveal the comforting presence of his club partner, Gerald Williams, the nuesery new played very well.

The Bath thes came from Parsons, Wyang Martin and Turner. Parsons scored after a break by his fellow back row man, Jones. They make a tough proposition, these two, when they are moving forward together. Wyatt had several good runs during the match and his sure footwork as he dodged through the middle deserved his try.

Martin, who played in the

Gerald Williams.

Williams, the fluggety new Welsh scrum half, will be vice-ceptain to Jeff Squire on his first appearance. Of similar height and build to Pearce (Sft 9in, 12 st) Williams is a seasoned club campaigner with six years experience in the hurly-burly of Welsh rugby. As a club pair, they are fortunate to have been around in an era where Bridgend have led the way in open, 15-man rugby with a ball-winning pack who are forever going forward.

Williams has more than a touch he godged inrough the middle deserved his try.

Martiu, who played in the centre, showed his capacity for coping with an unfamiliar position. Apart from his try, he kicked all the conversions. He is a Cormishman, and not the first Cormishman to play with distinction for Bath. Turner, another who had a good game, or at least a good second half, stored the last try.

BATH: J. Waierman; P. Simmonis, M. Sulton, C. Martin, D. Wyatt: J. Pabeer, S. Lewis: K. Neale, A. Mason, R. Lee, A. Martielt, N. Williams, B. Tones, G. Parsons, P. Turner, R. Sunner, S. Hosge, N. Marmont, T. Walter, D. Putt, J. Hutzer, M. Pinnegar, P. Harrison, M. Lynch, P. Barber (rep. J. Mundy), P. Madgewith, Referee; P. Richmond (Somerset).

Williams has more than a touch of "Chico" Hopkios, the 1971 British Lione scrum half. Shy and retiring off the field, Williams has often the leudest voice barrowing and encouraging his forwards. With a low centre of gravity in the Sid Going mould, he is particularly dangerous from breaky close to the scrummage and down the short side.

the short side.

Although he does not possess the longest service in British rugby, it is fast and flat; providing the Weish forwards do not slow down the heel as they have in the three internationals played so far this season, he is the ideal scrum half to keep the pressure on the opponents. The provident of the Weish team has been shifted away from outside half, where Pearce has been picked for his linking capabilities, back to the tactical kicking and short burn drives from Williams at scrum half.

UAU CHAMPIONSHIP: Semi-final amd: Dictiam 12. Mapphrester 7. HOSPITALS CUP: Semi-final round. Mary 17. St. Bambalcanta. nam 6.

CLUB MATCHES: Baim 31. Exter University 6: Bristol University 25. Avon and Somerast Police 18: Ebow Vaic 18: Cross Noys 3: Lianolii 53. South Wates Police 4: Lefrester 24. Royal Navy 12: Lydrey 6. Penarth 10: Ponnypool 36. Bisenavon 4: Pontryndii

## Durham reach UAU final Lockhart, late setections using to injury, did well, the former con-tributing three first-half penalties to earn Durham their 9—0 interval lead and the latter tackling with

By Steve Elliott Durham 12 Manchester 7
Gibson, Durham University's tall
lock, went off with a knee injury
15 minutes into this UAU servifinal match at Hudderstield.
Anderson moved from flanker to
lock and Woodhouse came on into

lock and Woodnouse came on into the back row.

Thereafter Manchester University's pack gave an increasingly good account of themselves and, despite an impressive showing from the hooker Johnson, and his front row-to win the tighthead count S—0 for Durham, the winners' pack were shoved all over the West Riding, altering their mitial command to measy defence.

It was not a classical contest, Manchester, initially almost out-classed and surprised at Durham's

MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY: M. Buriss; K. Hughos (replacement, M. Burgess) G. Bowen, C. Morgan, A. Lutp; A. Folloroft, P. Parker; G. Buchen, R. Season, N. Wheelor, R. Udwis, A. Hetherington, N. Beanet, I. Bannett, F. Emeruws.
Referee; B. Kead-Rapson (Notis, Lines and Derby).

DURHAM UNIVERSITY: L. Batten;
L. Beven, G. Gordon, G. Hwime, D. ruce-Lockhart: N. Chesworth, C. /hestman; C. Alcock, J. Johason, Henderson, C. Gibson (replacement, Woodhouse). P. Lillington. B. rawshaw, J. Anderson, J. Elison.

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REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: United Banks 14. Kont XV 23.

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**Driver steers** 

By Sydney Friskin

Hockey

HA X1

UAU XI 2

Yesterday's results

First division

in right direction

Otim For (1) 2 Doyle (09) Walsh

INTERNATIONAL MATCH: Spain

# on either side of the net

Sydney, Feb 18.—The volatile American tennis player, John McEnroe, has not promised to keep his temper in check during this week's challenge matches against Bjorn Borg.

McEuroe, the world's number two, faces Borg in a three-match. UAU XI 2

A Hockey Association XI, drawn from the England under-21 squad, did just enough to win their annual match against the Universities Athletic Union at Crystal Palace yesterday. The HA had won the match last year by 2—1.

Both sides, concentrating on attack, set up a fast pace on the artificial turf, which helped the more skilful players. The HA, particularly in the first half, established good teamwork, which helped them to lead 1—0 at the interval. They soon increased it to 3—0. The UAU, although no less impressive, tended to overdo their individual play which usually series starting here tomorrow. The second game is also here, on Friday, with the final match in Melbourne on Saturday.

The two are competing for a gold racket worth more than \$30,000 and an undisclosed sum of price mones.

less impressive, tended to overdo their individual play which usually came to an abrupt halt with came to an abrupt halt with Daubeney tackling so well at the back. They were soon made to change their tactics.

Most of the HA's attacks were set up by their centre half. Appropriately his name was Driver, whose prompting frequently inspired Sherwani to accelerate at centre-forward. The groundwork by these players inaccelerate at centre-forward. In a groundwork by these players induced Kerly to follow-up and score the first goal in the twenty-ninth minute.

ninth minute.

A reorganized UAU showed a marked improvement in the second half as a result of two substitutions and a change of position. Their attack, led by Hurry, was given a new sense of urgency, but they still had to wait for their rewards, despite the great efforts of Lewis on the right wing and Moulton on the inside.

Crais increased the HA's lead Craig increased the HA's lead in the fifth minute of this period from a short corner and 10

minutes later Cubbage scored on the follow-up after Craig had struck another short corner. Both the UAU goals came from short corners, converted by French in the last five minutes, to end a highly-entertaining game, well-controlled by the umpires, who although not officially appointed, although not officially appointed, readily accepted their tasks.

UAU XI: G. Fritsche (Bradison: G. Steobenson (Durham), G. Evans (New castle). H. Moore (Loughbarough). P. Harvey (Nottingham). M. French: New castle). M. Alleck (Manchaster. sub. M. Lewis, Exeter). J. Wiseman (Exoter. Capt). P. Moulton (Durham). K. Woodman (Exoter. Sab. R. Hurry. Livrpool). M. Hunt (Birmingham). HA XI: V. Hales (Bromby): G. Catty (Southquie, capt). M. Sprav (Southquie). Radnedge (Maribotough). N. Cubbage (Hamplon in Arden). S. Kriy (Southquie). I. Sherwan (Marth Salfordshire). A. Gill (Sonner, sub. J. Royce, Reston). S. Patchelor (Southquie). Umpires: R. Brookenan and I. Moffire.

No shenanigans tolerated

of prize money.

Asked after arriving here about this bad image, McEnroe said:

"Some people don't go to tennis matches to watch tennis. They the players, McEnroe said:

"So because they think they might see a player lose his temper. I don't think people should come to see you get angry. I get angry when I see people just come down wisit to Australia in 1973-74.

Borg, the record five times:

Wimbledon champion, and Mc.

Euroe are playing together in playing tennis.

Miss Wade goes down with 'touch of the bug' Houston; Feb 18.-Virginia

exhaustion and a "touch of the bug", withorew after two games of the third set in her first-round match against Josune Russell, of the United States, in the \$100,000 Avon tournament here.

Miss Wade, the 1977 Wimbledon champion; won the first set 7—5-but bowed to her opponent 4—6 in the second and trailed 0—2 in the final set when she withdrew the final set when see windrew from her tension-packed match.

"When I stopped playing I just didn't have anything left. Therewas just nothing there ".

sinst ROUND: K. Jordan (US: beat B. Nagelsen (US: beat M. van. der I J. Russen (US: beat V. Wade (GB: 5-7, 6-1, 2-0) retard.

Italian team for cup Italy have selected a four-man team for their first round Davis Cup tennis match against Britain at Brighton on March 6-8. The four are Adriano Panatta, Corrado Barazzutti, Paolo Bertolucci and Gianni Ocleppo.—AP.

Australia for the first time. Their opening two matches will be over three sets, with the last one over five. In their 12 meetings so far, Borg has won seven times to McEnroe's five.

Despite their great rivalry, McEnroe said today he would not be treating the chailenge as a grudge match. "We don't do much talking between ourselves. We just go out and play," McEnroe said. "We both still look to win the major tournaments—that's what we're shooting for," he added.

When he was told a spokesman for the Australian Umpires' Association had warned "no shemanigans" would be tolerated from the players, McEuroe said: "I won't tolerate any shenanigans from them. That's fair."

Borg said he regretted his second output this only preselons.

Teacher and Noah join beaten seeds

Palm Springs, California, Feb. 18.—Robert van't Hoff, of Los Angeles, in his first years as a professional, scored an upset 7—5, 6—4 win over the sixth seeded Yaunick Noah, of France, vesterday in the opening round of the Association of Tennis Professionals Games. Another surprise was the defeat of Brian Teacher, seeded four, who went down to the powerful Butch Walts

The three top seeds—Jimmy Connors, Ivan Lendi, of Czechoslovakia, and Harold Solomon—all advanced to the second round with straight-set victories. Connors, the number one seed, beat Dick Stockton, 6–4, 6–4. Four of the top 12 seeds are now on. top 12 seeds are now on.

FIRSY ROUND: J. Connars beat R.

Stockton 6-4, 6-4; J. Londi (Grechsolovakia) beat S. Smith 6-1, 7-9;

B. Wahs beat B. Teacher 4-6, 7-6;

C. War't Haff beat Y. Noah (France) 7-5, 6-4; R. Solomon beat A. Cortas (Columbia) 6-1;

S. Tellacher Shall Professional Columbia 6-1;

C. Tellacher Shall Professional Columbia 6-1;

K. Tellacher Shall Professional Columbia 6-1;

C. Tellacher Shall France 6-3;

C. Singeon (NZ) beat C. Freys.

France 6-4;

K. Singeon (NZ) beat C. Freys.

France 7-5;

G. Hardie France 6-4;

M. Davis beat R. Moore (SA) 6-4;

B. Sangeon 6-4;

M. Davis beat R. Moore (SA) 6-4;

B. Sangeon 6-4;

M. Davis beat R. Moore (SA) 6-4;

Boxing

#### Leonard must defend three times this year

Mexico City, Feb 18.—The World Boxing Council indicated yesterday that they would not penalize Sugar Ray Leonard, their welterweight champion, if he goes through with his contest in June against Ayub Kalule, but they warned that he must defend his title three times this year. One of those contests, a statement issued. those contests, a statement issued by WBC headquarters here said, must be "a mandatory defence": against the No. 1 contender before November 25. The organization, headed by Jos

The organization, headed by Jose Sulaiman of Mexico, said they do not care if Leonard lights title holders recognized by other associations, but said they considered his scheduled June 19 bout with Kalule, the World Boxing Association junior middleweight thampion, au "embarrassment". pion, an "embarrassment".

WBC's statement said Kalule, a Ugandan who now lives in Denmark, has been associated with the South African Boxing Association, which it said was "racially discriminatory". It said 'Leonard, who stopped Roberto Duran on November 25 in New Orleans to regain the title, had won \$22.5m with the WBC in 14 months, and should abide by the Organization's principals. Leonard and Kalule will be competing for Kalule's title in

be competing for Kalule's title in the light-middleweight division. Wilfred Beniter, the current No.

1 WBC contender, had been scheduled to fight Tommy Hearns, the WBA welterweight champion. next Monday in New York, but negotiations are underway for that contest to be held at another date

A boxing promoter, Rogelio Roble, of California, has protested to the WBC about an attempt by the lightweight champion. Rafael Limon, to postpone his title contest with Cornelius Boza-Edwards, of Reining a WBC collegements. of Britain, a WBC spokesman said yesterday. Limon is scheduled to defend his title in Stockton, Cali-fornia, on March 8. He asked for postponement to an unspecified date, saying he was not in good health.

Mr Roble sent a message to the Mr Roble sent a message to the WBC, claiming a postponement would bring him heavy inancial losses, particularly in television broadcasting contracts. "As a result, the WBC have ordered Limon to produce a medical certificate proving: ill health. Otherwise, the corresponding measures will be adopted by the WBC", the spokesman said. He did not elegiorate.—AP,

For the record Basketball

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Ice hockey Cycling

Cresta Run

GEORGES PRADE CUP! Handleap (Swiss unless Sigled: 1 F. Maisterhans, 170-32: Cmin 30.22sc; 2. C. Tesdorpi Germany: 2:50.31; 3. U. E. Schwarzenbach, 2:50.93; U. Amatuz. 2:51.25; 5. G. Orsi, 2:51.35; 6. G. Seratz, 2:51.82; 9. P. A. Treinin (GB) Skiing TODTMAU: West German champion-ship: Wogen's downhill: 1. 7. Epplo lmin 32.47sec; 2. H. Wiesler 1:55.72: 5. R. Moesenlochner and T. Mittermayer Jmin 35.65sec.

Hockey REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: RAF 2. London University 1. BRITISH POLYTECHNICS CUP: Somi-Chai round: Shefueld 3. North London 3.

Golf

Tennis

Football

EUROPEAN U-21 CHAMPIONSHI Cyprus D. Belgium 1. GREEK LEAGUE: Apollon 3. Do. Brams O: Arts 4, Ioannina 1: Ethicas O. Parasthinatico C. Kavila Corinthos O: Kasiona 1. Panserie O: Larissa O. Olympiakos 1: O. Crebe 1: Pantonico 1: Panahalli O. Pa O. K. Altens 3. Al. Cross country Police Whitesh Price Service L. Wild (RAF) 51min 9.9sec; 2.0 Junes (RAF) 51min 9.9sec; 2.0 RAF 9.0sec; 2.0 Police 10.0sec; 2.0 Police 10.0sec; 2.0sec; 2.0sec;

Latest snow reports from Europe

Conditions Off Runs to piste resort Varied Good 200 200 Cloud 140 480 Icy Powder Good Icy lower slopes Klosters 110
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## Even Boycott cannot stave off defeat

From John Woodcock
Cricket Correspondent
Port of Spain, Feb 18
England lost the first Test match
by an innings and 79 runs here
this evening and well deserved to
do so. Despite the loss, to rain, of
another hour's play, making a day
in all, West Indies won with an
hour to spare. Having been
bowled out in their first innings
for 178, England fared even worse
today.

bowled out in their first innings for 178, England fared even worse today.

Their rearguard action bore a strong resemblance to the one they fought equally unsuccessfully at Perth in the first Test match of last winter's series against Australia. Then, too, England had eight wickets left and carried a heavy deficit when the last day began, and then, as now, Boycott did all that could possibly be asked of him to save the day, is example, sadly, was not followed, in some cases because the batsmen were not good enough, in Botham's because, as in Perth, he was out to a wild stroke at a critical time. Although on their third successive day in the field, the West Indian fast bowlers showed few outward signs of tiredness. They kept pounding away, accurate as they were hostile. When they did take a break, Botham presented his wicket to Richards like one Somerset man doing a favour to another. As in Parth all Froe. his wicket to Richards like' one Somerset man doing a favour to another. As in Perth, all Engand needed were two batsmen other than Boycott capable of sticking ir out for a couple of hours. The pitch, though not entirely to be trusted, was in a fair state of repair. A good England hatting side would certainly have expected to last out the day. For this one it was always going to be a close-run thing. In the event only Boycott batted for more than 65 minutes. It was all so tiresomely familiar.

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before play started, of 18 minutes this time, due to the usual leak in the covers. There was a damp patch across one of the return creases. Thinking tha the start was at 10.30 rathern than 10 p'clock, the ground staff were also behind with their preparations.

At the most there were 3,000 people on the ground to see Gower, in the second over, and Boycott in the third drop their wrists to sharply rising balls from Garner and Roberts respectively. Technically Boycott could have been caught off his, the ball bisecting Lloyd and Richards at first and second site, an inch or first and second slip, an inch or

South African-born batsman, has

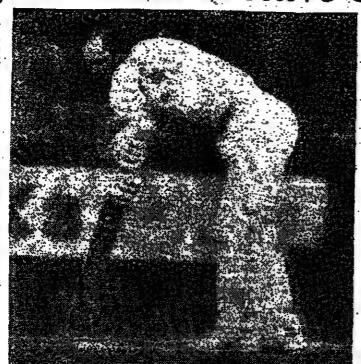
South Africa-born batsman, has been cleared by the Test and County Cricket Board to play for England from next year. Lamb, aged 26, made his first appearance for Northamptonshire in 1978 and

has become one of the most attrachis become one of the most airractive and beaviest-scoring batsmen in the game. Third in the averages in 1979, he was first last season with a figure of 66.55.

With South Africa's isolation

from Test cricket becoming more pronounced in recent years and his chances of playing Tests for South Africa receding, Lamb decided to opt for England at the end of last summer. He asked the TCCR was account his four-ways red.

TCCB to accept his four-year resi-dentall qualification from the time



Boycott: pushing forward at Richards, in a mood of

After half an hour Gower was caught at the wicket down the leg side off Roberts, one of those irritating dismissals to a ball that had less merit than most. Miller batted for 35 minutes, without undue difficulty, before edging. Croft low to third slip. In 25 Test matches and something like 175 first class innings Miller has never made a hundred. He has, even so, a good enough method to have lasted longer. This was Croft's one hundredth Test wicket, taken in only his twenty-first Test Croft's one hundredth Test wicket, taken in only his twenty-first Test, taken in only his twenty-first Test, on exceptionally high striking rate. Of the 10 West Indians to have reached this landmark, six are or were fast bowlers—Hall, Roberts, Holder, Garner, Holding and Croft—while of Sobers's 259 Test wickets, at least one hundred must have been taken at speed. must have been taken at speed.
With Botham it was a mater of how soon be would lose his head-

He kept it for 35 minutes until lunch, when England were 121 for four, and another 40 minutes passed afterwards (10 of which were spent sheltering from a shower) before he threw away his wicket. Gomes and Richards were bowling off healte at the time as haster. Games and Richards were bowling off breaks at the time, to hasten the arrival of the new ball, and Botham should have heeded the warning when, driving airliy at Gomes he was not far from being caught in the covers. Ten minutes later, trying to hit Richards far over his head, he was caught off a Skier at deep mid-off. It was an abysmal stroke—III-timed and iII-conceived, yet grimly predictable.

bble.

Boycott's determination not to yield was, in admirable contrast.

He was staunchness itself. Until today his Test scores on this ground had been 68, 62, 80 not out, six, 93, 99, 112 and 30. He

had batted now for five and a quarter hours and made 70 out of 142 when, in the second over with the new bell and ax runs after Botham was out, he was caught off a ball from Holding that stood straight up at him. There was no avolding it. The ball lobbed up off the handle and Haynes, throwing himself forward at third slip, held the catth.

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Another shower that had been skirting the hills brought an early tea and cost half an hour's play. By the time the game restarted there was a possible 100 minutes left (or 40 minutes plus 20 overs) in which for West Indies to take England's last four wickets. They collected the first of them after 10 minutes when Downton, who had resisted stubbornly for an hoor, was well caught at first slip by Lloyd, playing somewhat tentatively at Roberts. In Roberts's next over, Emborey lost his middle stump.

Within another 20 minutes the match was over. Having batted

Within another 20 minutes the match was over. Having batted for an hour and three-quarters, Willey was also caught at first slip. With Old in next and a fast bowler bowling it was a matter only of moments before West Indies won. Old was out first ball this time, caught at short leg by bacchus, substituting for Greenidge. Seven years ago England left Port of Spain, as they will on Friday, having lost the first Test match, scarcely less conclusively. If they fight back this time to level the series, as they did then their batting will need to make a remarkable improvement.

MEST INDIES: First lealings 426 for 9 doc (D. L. Maynes 9C, C. C. Greenidge 84, C. H. Lidyd 84, A. M. E. Roberts 50 not out, J. E. Embirey 5 for 124). ENGLAND: First Innings (C. E. H. Craft & for 40)



Tatal WICKETS: 1-19, 2-25, 3-86, 4-103, 5-134, 6-132, 7-158, 8-167, 9-169, 10-169, 80WLING: Holding: 18-C-38-3; Reberts, 21-7-11-3; Carmer, 25-10-31-2; Croft, 16-5-26-1; Gomes

#### Test pair save Districts

Lamb cleared for England Napier, Feb 18.—Present and past New Zealand Test batsmen shared a third-wicket stand of 176 to steer Central Districts out of danger on the second day of the match against the touring Indians at McLean Park today. Jock Edwards, who will be facing India in the first Test later this week, joined Robert Anderson, a former Test batsman, with the total at 36 for two.

Edwards. newly-recalled to Allan Lamb, Northamptonshire's he first came to England and they outh African-born batsman, has have agreed, provided he still lives have agreed, provided he stull lives here over the next 14 months.

If England's batting retains its current frailty and Lamb is anywhere near the form he has shown in his brief career in county cricket, his chances of making his first Test appearance in June next

The Board's statement reads:
"The registration committee of the
TCCB have advised Northamptonshire and Allan Lamb that, on the 36 for two.

Edwards, newly-recalled to international service, set the pace in a partnership which saw his own century come in 165 minutes. When he was caught at cover off Yograj Singh for 103 he had hit 14 boundaries and the rotal was 212. Anderson, whose last Test was at Lord's in 1978 and who toured ladia in 1976, shrugged soire and Allan Lamb hac, of the assumption the player retains a bonz-fide residence in this country in accordance with the regulations, he will be qualified for England from the beginning of season 1982." Lamb is currently playing Currie Cup cricket in South Africa.

off disasters at the other end and off disasters at the other end and completed his own 100 (eight fours) in 274 minutes before Kirti Azad trapped him leg-hefore. Districts declared at 277 for seven, 35 behind the tourists.

Viswanath had declared at the Indians' overnight score of 312 for seven and were 12 without loss in their second innings when had light stopped play 10 minutes early.

The Indian bowlers toiled hard,

but their task was made more difficult by an unresponsive pitch which, as on the first day, favoured the battmen.
SCORES: Indiana. 512 for 7 (KIVI Azad 127 not out and 12 no wit: Created Districts. 277 for ecc. 16. N. Edward 10. R. Anderson 101).—Agencies.

Rowing -

#### Devon lass takes Oxford seat of power

By Jim Railton

Susan Erown will become on April 4 the first woman to compete in the Boat Race (1.0). Her selection as Oxford's convain was amounced yesterday when, in all good humour, the Cambridge liniversity Boat Club president, James Palmer, agreed to modify his challenge. Palmer's challenge was for Oxford to provide " nine good men and true from Oxford University" to row against Cambridge. The Oxford president, Chris. Mahoney, accepted the gannilet on condition that the challenge was modified to "eight good men and one young woman", and Boat Race history was made.

Miss Erown, a 22-year-old third-

woman ", and Boat Race history was made.

Miss Brown, a 22-year-old third-year undergraduate of biochemistry at Wadham College and hailing from Honiton, Devon, took yesterday's blaze of publicity in her stride. She was asked what it was like breaking into totally male territory?, "The question doesn't arise", she said. "I am not a feminist." Indeed not, but when she was invited to the stage at yesterday's press conference, the Oxford and Cambridge presidents instinctively leapt to their feet.

She has been selected on merit from more than 30 men candidates for the Oxford coxwain's seat. The crew like her and she coxed Oxford University to victory in last year's women's boat race and the British women's coxed four in the Olympic regatts. She has been and her ability as a Tideway coxswain on the difficult Putney to Mortlake course is still to be judged. She was in the ascendancy when her last competitor, Adrian Rossiter, abandoned rowing to help steer a new political vehicle and work, with the Council for Social Democracy.

Miss Brown is Str 3in and told

Social Democracy.

Miss Brown is 5ft 3in and told me yesterday she aims to weigh in at around 6st 81b on Boat Race

Rugby League

#### Fulham want to sign that Frenchman

Fulham, an English second division Rugby League side, are interested in signing the French player, Jean-Marc Bonrret, currently at the centre of controversy on both the sides of the Chamel for his movement from Rugby League to Rugby Union. Fulham, the only League club in the South of England, sent a representative over to meer Bourret in France yesterday.

His case will be examined at the amual meeting of the International Board in Cardiff next month. International regulations stipulate that no one who has been associated with a non-amateur restricts.

associated with a non-amateur club may take part in Rugby Union.—Agence-France Presse,

RUGBY LEAGUE: First division: Barrow 15, Fcalbersione Rovers 12: Hull 10, Widnes 8.

#### Eight good men and one young woman: the Oxford University oarsmen and their coxswain, Susan Brown, on the Tideway at Chiswick preparing for the meeting with Cambridge on April 4.

day (the lightest coxswains in the Boat Race were Massey (Oxford) in 1939 and Archer (Cambridge) in 1862 at Sst 21b apiece). Oxford will surely have the advantage over their opponents of carrying a coxswain well over a stone lighter, nuless Cambridge have something up their sleeves.

She is certainly the quietest coxswain I have heard for many a vear and it is at first difficult to imagine how she can command eight beely men. Fortunately the Oxford crew is mature and experienced and has two former presidents on board, with Rankov selected for his fourth Boat Race. I think Miss Brown's personality could well be described as a "Dr Jekyll and Miss Hyde".

This quiet Devon lass on the bank suddenly transforms into a tough and aggressive competitor when afloat. "I don't need to shout at them ", she told the press yesterday. "I just talk persuasively into the loudspeaker system. I do not imend to swear made Oxford favourites yesterday at 3 to 1 on, They have an impressive line-up, led by their president and Olympic silver medallist Chris Mahoney, along with five other winning Blues-Rankov, Andrews, Blaud, Cooington and Head. Two of last year's Isis crew, Emerton and Yonge, complete the crew. The Cambridge crew may be announced next week but will not be seen in action on the Tideway for another three weekends.

A strong hint came yesterday that Ladbrokes may withdraw their sponsorship of the race. Gerald Green, the director responsible for the group's sponsorship, said yes-

either to get the best out of them." Watching her steer last weekend on the Tideway, I know she can be bloudy-minded if necessary. I understand that Ladhrokes want the Oxford and Cambridge want the Oxford and Cambridge race shells to carry the company's name in two and half inch lettering on their bows on Boar Race day. That is a very modest request considering all the sponsors' names that appear rather more blatantly in BBC's coverage of sporting events, Ladbrokes at least should be content that the BBC will be screening on Auril 4 two of necessary.

Ladbrokes, who are spousoring the Boat Race for the fifth year, made Oxford favourites yesterday

be screening on April 4 two of their sponsorships—the Boat Race and the Grand National meeting, with women in both events draw-ing considerable international OXFORD: "P. J. Head (Hampier and Ordel) bow. "N. A. Contington (Hampier) A. Contington (Hampier) and New College; R. P. Yonge (King), Canterbury; and New College; R. Charles (Hampier) and St. High's: "C. J. Mahonev (Hampier) and Oriels. "M. D. Andrew (Abington and Oriels." M. D. Andrew (Abington and Villagelien); "J. L. Bland (King Edward VI. Signiford, and Merton) sirros. Scrown (Hontton and Wadham) cos. the group's sponsorship, said yes-terday "that a further five years sponsorship estimated at £150,000 would be subject to agreement with the TV authorities. But if we can-

#### Badminton

#### Mrs Gilks pulls out of All-England singles end in the Dutch Open she had

won the women's and mixed doubles and believed her best

chances of success were in these

winter. In the niked she and Thomas Kihlström (Sweden) had won the title against Michael Tredgett and Mrs Petry, England's European and All-England cham-

pions.

Worcester results

By Richard Streeton

Gillian Gilks, with that inate flair for unpredictability, which is seldom far away these days from her badminton life, scratched yesterday, from the singles at the All-England champtonships next month at Wembley. Mrs Gilks, who is England's No 1, will concentrate on the women's and mixed doubles at the championships from March 25 to 29, which are sponsored by John Player.

Mrs Gilks firt telephoned and then sent a confirmatory wire to badminton officials only hours before the seedings committee for Wembley compiled their lists. She explained that she felt the days had passed when a leading player could expect to do justice to three events. The sterner competition and heavy playing schedule was too much.

Later Mrs Gilks explained more fully what had decided her to miss the singles. Over the week-By Richard Streeton

does not mean that I am cutting down on my future singles com-mitments regularly. I shall decide my programme at each major tournament as it comes along." Mrs Giks, who is 31 in June, still

has a legal action pending against the Badminton Association of England caliming damages for un-

reasonable restraint of trade. reasonable restraint of trade, Neither Mrs Gilks nor Miss Kilvington are representing England internationally at the moment.

Mrs Gilks was beaten in the first round of last year's All-England singles when she fell prey. events. In the women's final, she and Paula Kilvington beat England's world champions, Nora Perry and Jane Webster, for the fourth time in four meetings this England singles when she fell brey, to her notorious nerves.

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#### Racing

#### Taunton programme

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# American challenge for Champion Hurdle

By Michael Seely

Martle's Anger, the American challenger for the Champion thurdle at Chelrenham on March 17. was due to arrive in England last night. A winner of the Colonial Cup at Camden in 1979, Martle's Anger is to be trained by Tim Forster, who sadded another American-owned horse, Ben Nevis, to triumph in last year's Graud National.

Martle's Anger is one of the season in the day's most valuable

Nevis, to triumph in last year's Graod National.

Martie's Anger is one of the best chasers in the United States, having won 10 of his 26 starts. The six-year-old has not been seen out in public since finishing a close third to Sailor's Clue in last November's Colonial Cup. Judged on this form, Martie's Anger has little chance at Cheltenhaut as he' finished behind Corrib Chleftain, who was only carrying 10st 41b when runner-up to Carrib Willy in the Irish Sweeps Hurdle at Leopardstown. Due to make his first English appearance in the Kingwell Pattern Hurdle at Wincanton next Thursday, Martie's Anger is owned in parmership by his trainer in America, Jonathan Sheppard, and Bill Pape. Mr. Sheppard is the son of the late Dan Sheppard, who was senior handicapper to the Jockey Club in his time. Forster said at Worcester yesterday: "I have been told that the horse will arrive in this country fit to race

Southwell programme

2.0 CROWN HURDLE (Seller; £624: 2m)

3.0 TOTE HURDLE (Handicap : £1,268 : 2m)

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Music. 20-1 others.

It was good to be racing again at Worcester. Stopped, showed himself to be on target for the Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother Champion Chase at the National Hunt Festival when giving Fred Winter his 52nd victory of the season in the day's most valuable race, the Lowesmoor steeplechase. Ridden by Ben de Harn, Stopped Jumped his rivals silly and the winning margin of one and a half lengths could have been extended at the rider's with. The courage of the second horse, Sointulla Boy, has to be admired, so gamely did he stick to his hopeless task. Last time out at Sandown the six year-old also ran his heart out in another vain attempt to beat Clayside and deserves to be given a side and deserves to be given a chance against lesser opposition.

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The other feature of the afternoon was the victory of Hywel
Davies on Brown Veil in the first
division of the Bransford Novices
hardle. This was Davies' first success since his accident and the
Welshman drove Brown Veil past
the post half a length in front of
Wealth o' Willshire. Brown Veil
is trained by Roddy Armytage and
is a half sister to that grand old
chaser, Brown Jock, who despite
his 13 years has already won four
races this season. Armytage has
no firm plans for Applalto, who

Venture to Cognac has instead and mixed between a pulated and treated: "I had him stiagnosed on the box. It turned to that Venture to Cognac had several problems. He's now so supple that he's like elastic. And he's so full of himself that he had me off the other morning".

Sherwood comcluded by saying that Venture to Cognac would be ready to race in three to four weeks time. "He will only run in the Gold Cup if all goes well; our main objective at the moment is to get him on the track". The stable intend to run Midnight Court in the Jerry M bandicap at Lingfield on Saturday in preference to the Costain Homes steeplechase at Nottingham the same afternoon.

The other feature of the alternoon was the victory of Hywel Davies on Brown Veil in the first division of the Braasford Novices hurdle. This was Davies' first success since his accident and the Welshman drove Brown Veil past the post half a length in front of Wealth o' Wiltshire. Brown Veil is trained by Roddy Armytage and is a half sister to that grand old 'chaser, Brown Iock, who desnite

STATE OF COING (Official): Taum-ton: Soft (precautionary Inspection because of frost (orecast): Foli-Smithwell: Soft. Tomorrow: Foli-ham: Good to seft. Newczaile: Soft.

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#### No runners from Rimell stable in the National

The Sun Grand National will not be the same this year without a runner from Fred Rimeli's Kinnersley stable. Another Dolly, their solitary representative in this year's April 4 race, was one of 15 taken out at the first acceptance stage yesterday.

Since Rimell took out a trainer's licence in 1945, he has won the National four times, with ESB (1956), Nicolans Silver (1961). Gay Trip (1970) and Rag Trade in 1976.

The trainer is ill with influenza bott a stable spokesman said: "I really cannot remember the last time we had no runners in the National."

Ladbrokes prices remain un-

Ladbrokes prices remain un-changed. Rolls Rambler and Rub-stic are 20-1 joint favourites with Spartan Missile, Aldaniti, Kylogue Lady, Rambling Jack, Royal Mail and Zongalero on 25-1. First acceptors

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#### New Books

## The song of the earth and the great science of music

The New Grove Dictionary of Music and Musicians

Edited by Stanley Sadie (Macmillan, 20 vols, £850 the To attempt to engage and com-municate the diversity of the

magnificent New Grove after a couple of months is like trying to assess the performance of the Space Shuttle from the manner in which it behaves between leaving the shed and acriving at the end of the runway. There are so many ways in which it differs from all its predecessors that it is impossible to know with certainty

where to begin.

With the editor, then. Stanley Sadie, well known to readers of Th. Times Arts Page since 1264. read music at Cambridge, wrote a dissertation on mid-18th century British chamber music, has been editor of the Musical Times since 1967, and general editor of Dent's exemplary popular Master Musicians series for the last five years. He is a scholar and a journalist—the two are rarely the same—and the complete professional in both. He writes here about Eoccherini and Mozart.

Dr' Sadie's three senior editors are Lewis Lockwood, of

tors are Lewis Lockwood, of Princeton and Harvard, Nigel Fortune, reader in music at Birmingham, and Ian D. Bent, professor of music at Notting-ham. Professor Lockwood's preferred fields are Beethoven and the Counter Reformation Mass, Dr. Fortune's English and Italian vocal music of the

computer in musical analysis, and the contemporary avant garde. Forfune and Bent also read music at Cambridge—Fortune, like Sadie, with Thurston Dart (1921-71), of whom Bent writes in The New Grove:

writes in The New Grove:
The essence of his work was his
preoccupation with musical sources themselves. Most of his hypotheses—and many of them were
audacious—arose directly from the
study of a source, its preparation,
ownership and use. He trained a
generation of scholars not only in
clear, critical thinking about
musical topics, but also in palæegraphic, diplomatic and bibliographic skills.

In other words, the musicologist (OED: "A person who studies music scientifically") must learn to work with the same intellectual equipment and methods of research as those employed in other areas of criticism and historiography: Dort was, after all, the younger contemporary of those other-wise unalike source-fanatics, Namier and Leavis. He was hardly alone in urging the virtues of source-reading in musicology, but he is worth stressing here as the common influence on three of those chiefly responsible for the tone of the new dictionary, and herause he was a superh exebecause he was a superb exe-cutant who practised his belief that the rewards of musical scholarship should be made available to, and enjoyed by, as many people as possible.

One areat beauty of The New Grove is that it applies Dart's standards of dispassionate scholarship to every musical epoch

seventeenth century, and Pro-fessor Bent's the medieval performance from the Odyssey Chapel Royal, the use of the to the Sex Pistols and Josquin to Cage. Each is placed in, and according to, his own context and time. There is no honours list and grades are not awarded, although mild reproof for a

> performer will be expressed from time to time. There is more important work being done: the entire, Eurocentric, nineteenth century view of Progress, by which all things led; in a series of spectacular improvements." the pirit "improvements", to the ulti-mate heights of Beethoven, Wagner and Brahms—a view still implied, faute de mieux, in the ruins of nineteenth cen-

careless scholar or an excessive

tury Europe, in Eric Blom's Grove 5 (1954)—bas been finally swept away.

As an incurable nineteenth century man (I have compro-

century man (I have compromised only in stretching the nineteenth century back to around 1770 and forward to 1914), I was apprehensive, but the wisdom of justice is evident throughout. Justice for Carl-Maria von Weber (John Warrack), Mendelssohn (Karl-Heinz Köhler), Berlioz (Hugh Macdonald) and, somewhat more briskly, for Tchaikovsky (David Brown) was to be expected briskly, for Tchaikovsky (David Brown) was to be expected after the work published by these scholars over the past 15 years; but justice for Meyerbeer, who invented French Grand Opera and the press conference with free refreshments (Heinz Becker, excellent), and for Lortzing, Méhul, Boieldieu and Adam? Justice even for Amilcare Ponchiedli who, having composed one masterpiece of murbid splendour, was too gen-

tle to promote his own talents and interests and simply faded away?

In this climate of general amnesty and joyful revisionism, it was rotten luck on old Massanet to be dished out to Martin Cooper, who disposes of him Cooper,

Cooper, who disposes of him with uncommon sharpness as the purveyor of entertainment to the last, lary days of the grande bourgeoisie—a charge he extends, in a sideswipe, to Puccini and Richard Strauss who are happily handled at length elsewhere by Mosco Carner and Michael Kennedy.

Massanet seems to have related production with English terminalogy and English spelling preferred (perhaps the last work on this scale in which they will be so), while the revival of Massanet seems to have taken the place of Rachmaninov, the ritual victim of Grove 5.

If you supposed, from the evident priorities of Dr Sadie and his three senior editors, that a certain deteutonization of under way in The New Grove, you would be correct. The centre of the musicological business shifted irrevocably to the United States after 1933, and one-third of Dr Sadie's 2,500 contributors is American, the largest national group. Sample, for American scholarship at its most intellectually crisp Lock-wood on Palestrina and Vincenzo Ruffo, or, even better, the formidable Joseph Kerman on Byrd; for its Central European humanism, Boris Schwarz's noble case for Shostakovich (up to and including Testimony, which he handles with tact, although it is surprising to see him place the symphonies above the chamber music even without argument); for the interdisti-plicary open-mindedness which Europeans find so inaccessible

separate articles, that is.

Britain and Germany remain

of primary significance. The New Grove is, after all a British German musicology which began in Friedrich Blume's monumental Die Musik in Geschichte und Gegenwart (1949-69) made it imperative that Grove 1-5 must be con-signed to the context of history themselves and replaced, in all but three per cent of their text, by The New Grove. Sadie was appointed in 1970, and the wonder to me is not that the enterprise took so long, but that it was finished in the time. True, it was never a one-man band, as the editor is the first to remind us: an editorial board just short of 50 in number sounds more like the Eszterhaza forces available to Haydo when his Prince was in expansive mood at the start of a fine summer season. But, even so: 22 million words with 3,000 music examples and 9,000 cross-references in 22,500 articles from all over the paid. from all over the world . . It is staggering.
Great Haydn, incidentally, is only one of several composers

whose practical reputations have risen dramatically through

the discoveries of scholarship and performance since the pub-lication of Grove 5: the achieve-ments of Monteverdi, Handel, Verdi, Mahler and Weill are reassessed with great liveliness, originality and depth by Denis Arnold, Winton Dean, Andrew Porter, Douald Mitchell and David Drew. Porter's long monograph on Verdi is the best I have ever read, particularly on his dramatic art and language, whilst Dean, who has already served one ace in the brilliant and witty article on criticism reprinted from Grove 5, triumphantly rescues his hero from the Nonconformist conscience

and the evangelical choir. All earlier editions of Grove were directed principally at "the musical amateur", that is you, me, us. I hope I have already made it clear that The New Grove far from excludes us with writers as good as Porter and Dean and hundreds of entries on living performers, many quite young, it is hardly doing that—but it has been designed first for the use of designed first for the use of fellow-professionals in the musicological field. It is, among many things, the source-book of source-books for an exuberant and expanding discipline. Far from being anxiously divested of technicality, as Sir George assured the concert-goers and parlous musicians of 1879, The large frame positively revels in New Grove positively revels in it, with learned articles on every ology and ography contiguous to music and all the ways of making music—blowing, bash-ing, scraping, striking—known to man.

Many are illuminated with

large, clear mechanical draw-ings; and indeed nothing gives whistling pots and bamboo the dannted amateur his stamping tubes. It is the music courage back faster than the of the barbarous nations, as 4,500 illustrations, integrated in the text by Elizabeth Agate, and amounting to a superb pictorial history of music in them-selves. Other articles of book length include surveys of libraries (one hundred pages), sources (160), periodicals (128) and the music of India (97). Work-lists, bibliographies and

If the tormented Tchaikovsky has been eased from the closet of his homosexuality and suicide—and that with the help. of recent Soviet research, not normally inclined to acknowledge such things—so is Folk Music removed from the ghetto by which it was too neatly con-tained in Grove 5. It is reapportipned under each country in turn after Art Music-a terminological antithesis I doubt anyone is quite happy with, since it carries overtones of Ruskinian aesthetics and morality foreign to the more bracing ethos of this dictionary as a whole, but you may be sure that Dr Sade's 49-piece band spent some time trying to think up a better one.

indexes are far larger than ever

Anyway, the effect is sensational. It is as if the doors and windows of the Royal Albert Hall and the Musikverein, the Salle Pleyel, Free Trade Hall and Leipzig Gewandhaus had been flung open and season ticket holders compelled to hear strange sounds coming from the streets outside: game-lans, slit drums, pan pipes and

kindly old "G" dismissed them one hundred years ago, summoned to the feast at last it is the song of the earth.

Teo much of that, and the listening reader would run mad with polyphony like Mahler, Stockhausen or Charles Ives but The New Grove offers large areas of silence and austerity in which the musical amateur may recover his calm. He may, then run into "Roll out the Barrell" in Bohemia; Frank Sinatra, learning to phrase from Tommy Dorsey's trombone, or the histories of Gnocchi, Cucu and Crotch. He will discover that the pututu is not a ballet dress for Spanish tarts but a Bolivian cowhorn, and that Amusia, far from being a collection of useful little jokes to keep in one's pocket, is "the inability to comprehend or pro-duce musical sound" (Natasha Spender). I would not go quite as far as Jessica's Lorenzo that the man that hath no music in himself, nor is not moved by concord of sweet sounds, is fit for treasons, stratagems and spoils, but it is hard to envisage a condition more desolate than

Amusia to wish upon any woman cure memselves by reading, but at least the cure could now start with the inexhaustible and tantalizing excitements ofered by Dr Sadie's New Grove.

#### Michael Ratcliffe

#### Fiction

Several restaurant of the market with the

Close Relations By Susan Isaacs (Macdonald, £6.95)

A Princess in Berlin By Arthur Solmssen (Hutchinson, £6.95) Caroline R.

By David Lancaster (Hutchinson, £6.95) Don't let's be beastly to the Americans. As Max Beerbohm gently remarked, they have a perfect right to exist; and so do novels like these, zapping along with all the racket of a rollercoaster. Two are by

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Americans; the third has an American heroide and a hunch that kings, if they are gentle-men, prefer blondes.

Susan Isaacs switches from Compromising Positions on suburban Long Island to swinging-singles sex and swinging city politics on Manhattan: no isle of joy. Marcia Green is speechwriter to the president of New York City Council. At 35, mistress of the wisecrack and of Jerry Morrissey, an "objec-tively, truly, and irrevocably handsome" Irishman, who handsome "Irishman, who manages her boss's campaign for the state governorship, she has seen off marriage, miscarriage, and divorce, to say nothing—the book says plenty—of a gallimaufry of government-subsidized lovers "so homely or boorish or dull that I would never have introduced I would never have introduced them to even my most distant

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rush past in droves; but crowding Marcia's political and social bedfellows for elbow room come her close relations; interfering, smorbering, disapprov-ing of job; lifestyle, and clothes; tireless crusaders in the holy cause of rich, respectable matrimony with a regular manicure and hairdo. Aunt Estelle, Cousin Barbara, Uncle Julius and all are bigoted, blinkered, snobbish, appalling. They are the Jewish family of a million jokes. They play to win, and they do; even defeating Miss Isaacs's determination ing Miss Isaacs's determination to have and to hold readers' sympathy for Marcia, less obviously but no less snobbishly a lay figure of parody: our Sexually Liberated But Emotionally Uosatisfied Woman of the Week. The gang on 42nd Street will dance when dialogue as good as Miss Isaacs's is not squandered on stereotypes. There will be a dance in this old dame when more women

> not "women's novels". not women's novels".
>
> Bertolt Brecht does not dance, but he sings a little as he flits briefly into Arthur Solmssen's tale of two cities: schizophrenic Berlin in 1922; opulent banking society cheek to cheek with desperate powerty, still more despairing cynicism. Peter Ellis is an engaging cism. Peter Ellis is an engaging young American, formerly an ambulance driver on the Western Front, back in Europe on the artistic lam. The story starts fast and well; descriptions of German inflation in the Twenties will turn your eyeballs to stone if you do not quickly turn them heavenwards in prayer. But it comes apart for want of action to glue to-gether a confusion of characters against a backdrop of bankruptcy, political, economic, and spiritual. Some of the symwork: an elder brother, Christoph, is delightful, fair-minded, a scholar; the younger. Kaspar, demented and revengeful, the stuff of which Hitler's Germany came to be made. They would be more telling if historical details were not

old dame when more women novelists write novels that are

given precedence over human If Mr Lancaster-" an author with an intimate knowledge of royal life"-is to be believed, recedence may be decaying into mere pretension up there on the Mall. Readers and corgis on the Mail Readers and Orgis will stand aghast to learn that Everyone in the palace, except for the footmen is "irredeemably upper middle class". The blow is not quite without minigation: we have no reason to suppose that royal footmen have not been exalted rather than laid low; good reason to suppose that "David Lancaster? has, his tongue in his cheek rather than his foot. Happily, if not gloriously, he sometimes has both.

Caroline R; nee Knight is HM The Queen of England, consort of the immensely popular · former Prince Wales. His parents are in exile in consequence of "a wretched misunderstanding" (unspecified); the monarchy has "more than tottered"; but the King has bagged a bride at last and things are looking up. Caroline is "tall and leggy and slim and bloude"; clever without any of that summa cum laude nonsense; the kind of patrician American girl who would think the DAR vulgar, the Junior League a bore. (She would be right.) The royal love match looks set fair. But HM's impatience with protocol and charmingly devil-may-care attitude to a past indiscretion set her on the skids. Off she starts, down the slide to a Ruritanian state funeral. Reverential courtiers are, it seems, as nefarious as rascally reviewers in blackguarding their betters. The woodwork, inside the palace and out, seethes with

David Lancaster has an eye for the ironical twist when be lets his typewriter cool down. The other eye is cheerfully and shamelessly on the American market. Evidently a Phi Beta Kappa professional, he might have spared half an eye for his page proofs. Upper middle class Hampstead residents may be-come irredeemably exasperated by an influx of Americans looking for the Royal Mausoleum at

Gay Firth would not have recognized.



Three revellers having a good time on a red-figure amphora by Euthymides, 510-500 BC, from Greek Art and the Idea of Freedom, by Denys Haynes (Thames & Hudson, £6.95). The book examines and illustrates the way that the Greeks' growing awareness of the freedom of the human personality is closely reflected in the form and content of their visual arts between the eighth and second centuries BC. The chaps are named Komarchos, Eudemos (misspelt Euedemos) and Teles.

Stylistically flavoursome (if screens and unlike too, I'm odd) further adventure of West our heroine or anti-heroine behaves in a pretty unorthodox, distinctly feminine way. Even distinctly feminine way. Even the Night She Died by Dorathy illustrates the way that the Greeks' growing awareness of the freedom chaps are named Komarchos, Eudemos (misspelt Euedemos) and Teles. A boastful gloss by the artist reads: "Euphronius never drew like this."

## In cold print and disarray

Music for Chameleons

By Truman Capote

There is a powerful image in Orwell's Down and Out in which the public part of a sparkling and elegant, is con-trasted with the kitchen, a hot, steaming hell-hole of sweat and where curses and trenzy, crockery hurtle through the fetid air. There is something of this in Truman Capote's writing. Where he is a datached, neutral observer, as in the main item in this collection, there is a brilliant force and economy to his writing. That item is "Handcarved Coffins" fiction account of an American crime", reminding the reader of In Cold Blood of 15 years ago. These 80 pages bring the cliches of book-reviewing to the surface like dynamited salmon. Let me but it like this; once you have begun to read it is extremely hard to stop. One is conscripted by the first two paragraphs, the first describing the dull, small Western town where the story Western town where the story takes place, the other describ-ing the local detective who becomes becomes more and more obsessed with a series of linked local revenge killings.

But as well as this there are two kinds of less attractive matter to be found here. On the one hand there is a certain amount of gush about "celebrities", as in a piece about being smuggled out of Califordisarray, is at the centre of
via, and a perfectly honourable
bit of legal difficulty, in the
centre of the first, "A Day's
bit of legal difficulty, in the
centre of
work", has him following
entourage of Pearl Bailey. his black cleaning lady round
Here we are in the world of on a day's tour of the premises

the late Kenneth Typan, of of her other clients. Two Richard Avedon's photography, absentees—a disorganized air of People magazine. On the line pilot with a devotion to of People magazine. On the other, and more conspicuous, is a kind of nervous blustering, only an inch away from self-pity, that afflicts Capote when occupied with the topic of his own importance and achievements. For example: "It was a lot of fun—at first. It stopped being fun when I discovered the difference between good writing and had, and then writing and bad, and then made an even more alarming discovery: the difference between very good writing and true art; it is subtle, but savage". Again, after a quotation from Henry James: "Mr James is laying it on the line there; he's telling us the truth". There is some more false macho when he says of recent difficulties with writing: "The halt happened because I was in a hellura lor of trouble ". There is something of this

duality at times in the work of Christopher Isherwood, notably in A Single Man, where the superb evocation of Los Angeles and some sweetly dilapidated inhabitants contrasts so disconcertingly with the adhesively sentimenwith the adnessvely senumental all-male romance in the book. Bur that does not mean that Capote should avoid that tricky enterprise, the foul rag and bone shop of the heart, and stick to the people, places and events from which he can have a distance Music for keep at a distance. Music for Chameleons contains two fine pieces in which the author's private self, in a measure of

vodka miniatures and a near young swinger who works on a magazine—are marvellously evoked from the state and contents of their apartments. The next people, Mr and Mrs Berko-witz, catch Mary and Capote, high on grass, feasting on sweet things from the Berko-witz refrigerator. A funny, humane, brilliantly executed piece. And in "Nocturnal piece. And in "Nocturnal Things", a conversation in bed with hanself late at night, he confronts his condition directly with humour and credibility. A few celebrities even float harmlessly by.

Also good are "Mojave", in which a rich upper East Side husband recalls a desert encounter of his youth as he comes to terms with his own aging and loss of glamour, a little like Edith Wharton in modern dress and "Hello modern dress, and "Hello Stranger", about a dull old friend driven to drink by way of uncomfortable involvement with listle girls. Capote's gifts are such that nearly everyshing is well worth reading and all the larger items will be worth reading again. ....

For some years now he has been engaged on a book, Answered Prayers, in which his "non-fiction" technique is applied to his own world of friends, acquaintances and ene mies. Some early drafts have appeared in Esquire magazine. Understandably there have been cries of pain. We must hope that the sufferers will contain their distress in the interests of art.

Anthony Quinton

The Noblest Roman, by M. L. Clarke (Thames & Hudson, £10). The noble Brutus has suffered a curious fate. In his lifetime a staunch supporter of the claims and pretentions of this class, the inner circle of the senatorial oligarchy, he opposed Julius Caesar in poli-tics, fought against him in the Civil War, accepted his pardon and murdered him. After his death he became with Marcus Cato and Cassius an object of veneration in the sentimental and romantic cult of a notion

in the lowest circle of In-bered as the conqueror of ferno; to eighteenth century Wales and Scotturum maileus. England he was the very model of antique virtue. M. L. Clarke examines first the known facts of Brutus's life, and then his posthumous reputo the modern times, and his portrayal in .literature from the sixteenth century through Shakespeare to Phyllis Bentley and Roy Fuller.

The Life and Times of Edward I, by John Chancellor (Wei-denfeld & Nicolson, £6.95). There is more to history than kings and queens, though they serve as convenient markers of as well as wearing the crown. reader, .

Dante placed him with Iscariot Today he is chiefly remem-Wales and Scottorum malleus. who took the first steps towards the unification of our island. This new monarch in the royal flush series, Kings and Queens of England, edited by Antonia Fraser, freats symratherically his great work as the English Justinian. He may have intended merely to establish the rights of the Crown over those of the barons, but what we got was the English legal system. He was not just a warrior-king and builder of majestic castles, but also a builder of England. Mr Chancellor's book is prettily illus-trated, and gives a balanced the passage of time. Edward I and lively account of the latest of Republican liberty which he really did himself make history view of Edward for the general

#### Crime

Murder Has a Pretty Face

By Jennie Melville (Macmillan, £5.95)

Meet the feminist crime novel, first of its kind so far as I know. A basic element in the feminist cause is a desire, often altogether justifiable, to get in on the act. And here the act is criminality. Why not an sll-female gang, postulates Melfemale gang, postulates Mel-ville. And let it conduct in a ville. And let it conduct in a near microcosmic small town its crime wave, of the sort hitherto pretty strictly a masculine province, the bank raid, the barely motivated violence. "It's what we've wanted for a long time, isn't it?" comments an onlooker character, a woman tied to her house by a small baby. "The really emancipated woman criminal."

ladies there must be of course, a more familiar figure, the woman detective inspector woman detective-inspector (Convenient car accident sends male boss to hover off-stage). But here, unlike the woman police detectives who have re-cently bulked large on our TV tually even under a feeble pretence of going undercover (no consultation with any superior) she cheerfully falls in with the gang, announcing with evident conviction "I admire you all".

And to womany policework mere male credence, which is shared by many a female, is strained often to its farthest point) is added a similar style in the writing. Everything floats, unrooted, intuitive. Scene tence jars oddly, sometimes tellingly, against sentence. The whole, then, did not totally con-vince me, which may be the fault of innate chauvinism than failure of the novelist's impulse. But I read on unstoppably.

The Other Side of Silence, by Ted Allbeury (Granada, £5.95), Part factual inquiry into Kim Philby (considerably interesting), part novel about ultimate loyalties (considerably affecting). Unsatisfactory as such perhaps, but unputdownable.
The Ludi Victor, by James Leigh (Bodley Head, £5.95). Ideas-brimming investigation into Lordon investigation.

into London insurance deviosity (Arizona climax) and into notion of games-playing, Occasionally over-clever, but a first to flag-wave for:

The Money Men, by William Haggard (Hodder & Stoughton, £5.95). Old Master in cracking, familiar form with retired Russell probing high-powered financial shenanigans from Holland to Portugal aided by black Harrovian side-kick.

Odd's End, by Tim Wynn-Jones (Deutsch, £5.95). First-novel psychological thriller in which really attractive young couple in old Nova Scotia house are hunted and haunted. A mise overheated, but decidedly intelligent.

To oppose these emancipated The Tainted Man, by John adies there must be, of course, Wainwright (Macmillan, £5.50).

more familiar figure, the Rare to find a mystery novel that covers years and yet grips as this story of Northern city hatreds does.

A Distant View of Death, by Jack Scott (Collins, £5.95). Stylistically flavoursome till odd) further adventure of West

The Night She Died, by Dorothy (Michael Pleasant Joseph, Inspector £6.50). Thanet investigates Kent town, and a few pasts. Send in the Lions, by Eric Clark (Hodder & Stoughton, f6.95). Hijack to Algeria plus kidnap, and all that happens next. Expertly told in the next. Expertly told in the Forsyth manner, packed with

The Chief Inspector's Daughter by Sheila Radley (Constable id village home. An investiga-tion with personal relations to the fore, especially the detec-tives. Touch condescending

news-to-you facts.

H. R. F. Keating

#### Inky statesman

Walter Lippmann and the American Century By Ronald Steel (Bodley Head, £8.95) ....

The publisher's blurb claims that Walter Lippmann was the greatest journalist of his age, out I am not so sure. Arguably among American journalists
James Reston is and Drew
Pearson was better at their
craft, but only Lippmann warrants such an exhaustive, and occasionally exhausting, biography as this.

One reason, again to the blurb, was that for six decades Lippmann stood at the centre of American political life. His experience spanned the period when the American empire was born, matured, and began to wane, a time some have called the American cen-

Another was that Lippmann chose journalism as the path to political power and in-fluence as Dr Henry Kissinger chose Harvard and Nelson Rockefeller, and this was not all they had in common. Both came from German Jewish backgrounds, and they shared the certainty of the old pro-phets and Herr Professors. Both made some terrible mis-takes; indeed, if Lippmann had not had his own power pase he would have been sacked many times for getting things wrong.

Their arrogance was equally overwhelming. For instance, American entry into the First World War, but although in his twenties and Lippmann campaigned his twenties and good health decided that he was too intelli-gent to fight. He pulled strings and got a job supervising the building of barracks.

As a temporary civil servant he accepted the witch hunts was no less insensitive

when he returned to journa-lism. He was indifferent to the suffering of his fellow citizens during the depression and the gassing of millions of Jews. He also dismissed Franklin D. Roosevelt as a "kind of amiable boy scout", but this and more did not prevent him from influencing events at

home and abroad.

Great or not so great, he was very remarkable man. Presi read his columns with respect as did foreign statesman. He understood Europe because of his background, and was a good linguist, which helps to explain his influence in foreign affairs. He was also a good friend of Britain. Mr. Steel has written a very good biography, sympathetic and admiring but not obli

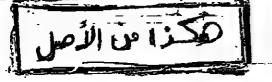
vious of the dangers of a jour nalist getting too big for his door-stepping shoes. Not tha Lippmann had ever waited out side politicians' doors for in formation, which is a pit! because if he had the fina disillusionment might have been less painful.

Just before he gave up hi

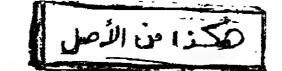
column and departed Washington he told me tha President Johnson had lied ! him. He was outraged, and wanted to know how any jour nalist could do business with man who lied. It was too un kind to suggest that he should have learned long ago tha politicians can unblushingly li-

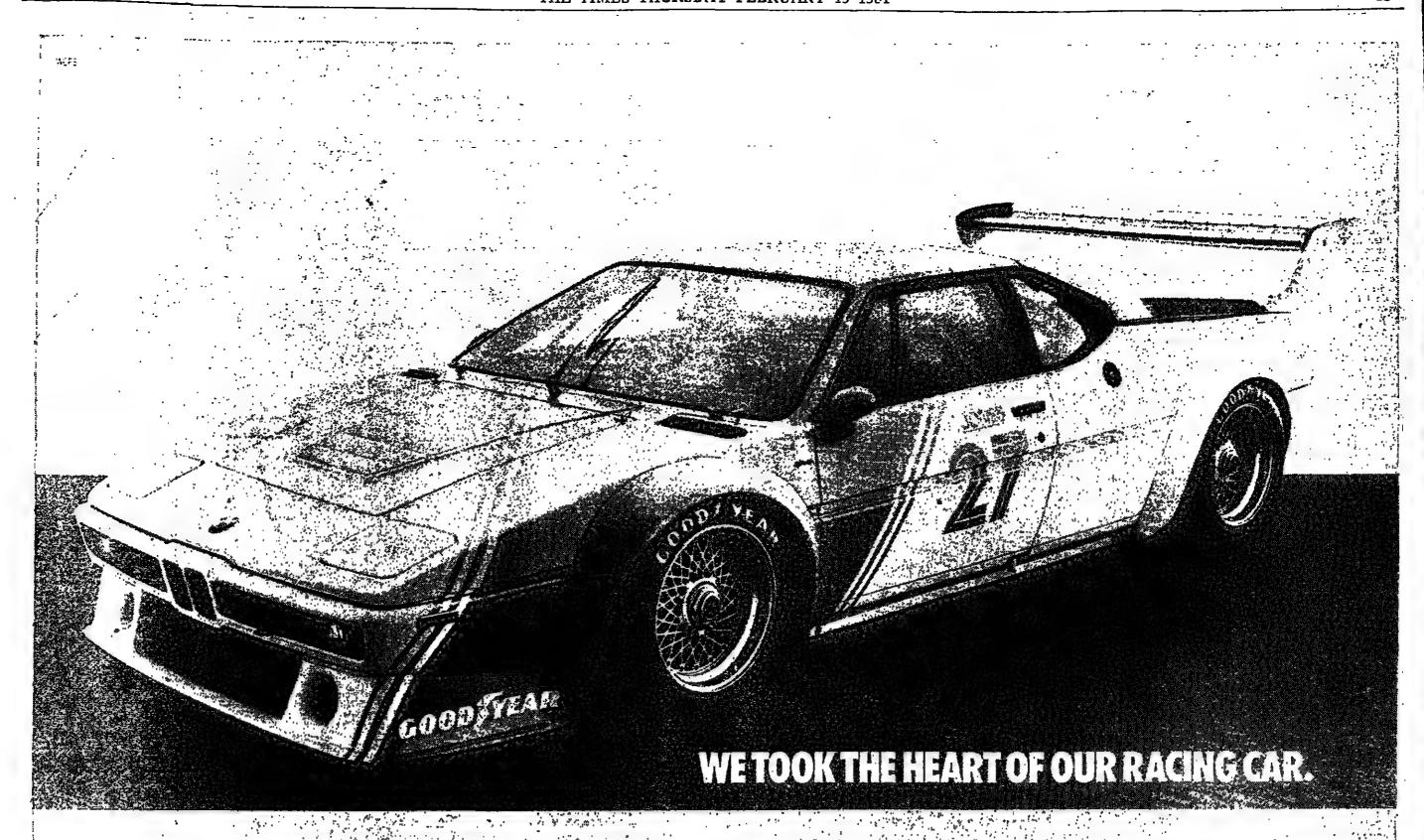
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# What's your name then?

rude to make jokes or other about people's faces or names, as no one can help either. Since neither half of the proposition is true (anyone can change his name, and the variety of aids to face amendment is constantly growing), I have never seen the force of the rule, though on the whole I have obeyed it, if only in the sake of peace and quiet So when, a few years ago, I stumbled across a little American book called Remarkable Names of Real People, by John Train, I said nothing, though the book consisted entirely of a list of names which excited mirth without any additional comment at all.

Now, however, doubtless encouraged by the success of his first volume, Mr Train has published a sequel, Even More Remarkable Names, and I can no longer refrain. The whole thing started with a letter from a lady in Florida who wrote to a local academic to enquire a local academic to enquire whether she had the funniest name in the world; her desire for reassurance on the point was understandable, in view of the fact that she was called Mrs the fact that she was called Mrs Verbal Funderburk, but the book was destined to give reassurance of a very different kind—by the time the reader has finished it, the good Mrs F. might as well be called Smith or Jones for all the impact she makes. Indeed, so amazingly rich is Mr Train's collection that he can afford to throw that he can afford to throw away, in the introduction to his first volume such figures as Mac Aroni, Cigar Stubbs and Virgin Lands, and to relegate to the humble status of footnotes in his second such figures as Legitimate Jones, Vernal Equinox Grossatckel, Zeditha Cabbagestalk, Halibut Justa Fish and the siblings Bump and Twinkle Quick.

But what would you? The first volume starts with A. A. A. D'Artagnan Umslopagaas Dynamite Macaulay, and goes on almost immediately with Ave Maria Klinkenberg and Bam-bina Broccoli. The editor then rather spoils things by includ-ing Bathsheba Finkelstein; I will have him know that my celebrated Bessarabian grand-mother was called Bathsheba Nemborsky, and anyway Bathnenkovsky, and anyway Bathsheba is one of the most beautiful of names, whatever it may be followed by. But Miss Finkelstein is followed in volume one by—I now begin to oute at random, there really heing no other place to quote at—the Reverend Canuan Banana, now President of Zimbabwe (though President Ould Daddah of Chad is unaccountably omitted), Daphne Reader's Disest Taione (who reminds me that there is a town in Arizona Digest Taione (who reminds me that there is a town in Arizona called Truth and Consequences.

After a relevision quiz-game of that name, though I suppose the inclusion of place-names wild have extended the plume too far, possibly even as that town in New little good, as he was ever in New ealand, from which I occasionlly geg a postcard, which is fulfilly geg a postcard, which is fulfilly entitled Levin). Charles Adolphe Faux-Pas Bidet, Gaston J. Feeblebunny.

Trailing Arbutus Vines and Zoda Viola Klontz Gazola.
But that was only the first shot. Even More Remarkable Names includes Aurora Borealis Belsky, Cardiac Arrest da Silva, Christ T. Seraphim, Easter Buggage (daughter of the Halloween Buggage in the first book, and born between the two) Ecstacy Goon, Eucalyptus
Yoho, Hector Spector, Heidi
Yum-Yum Gluck, Hogjaw
Twaddle, Pirouette Spiegel,
Odious Champague, Solomon Gemorah and John Hodge Opera House Centennial Gargling Oil Samuel J. Tilden Ten Brook. Oh, and Pepsi Cola Atom-Bomb Washington.

Now it must be stressed that Now it must be stressed that Mr Train insists on documentary proof of the existence of these people before he will include them in his compilations; difficult though it may be to believe, therefore, there really are (or were, for he includes dead but verified examples, too) people who go or have gone through life with handles such as these. It is vain to speculate on what precisely, or in some cases even approxi-mately, their parents thought

We are always told that it is vain to feel that they ought not to be made mock of; our guilt will not help to cure their neuroses. But of course the only point in writing a column on a subject like this is to go one, or better still several, better.

Discussing the charges directed on

moral grounds against the Nationality Bill, my article last week placed on

those who object to it as "racist" the onus of saying with some precision what they mean by race. Do they define it principally by cultural tradition, a sense of shared identity and

language or is colour for them the

difference?

determinant of

No answers to these questions have

vet been forthcoming. With due respect to the Archbishop of Liverpool,

I suggest that his argument is beside the point when he asserts (February 18) that the Bill has "racial implica-

tions" because it would change the basis of the right to nationality from birth in the country (ius soli) to that

of parentage (ius sanguinis). In prac-

tice, both terms have generally boiled down to the same thing. The right of nationality derived from birth in the

country only held good historically because it was assumed that people born in the country usually had some degree of kinship with those to whom

I do, however, not feel any obliga-

tion myself to enter the quagmire of semantics involved in any attempt to

define "race" with precision, since it is not a term that I think relevant to

this Bill. Instead, it is more profit-able to try to discover what constitutes

the moral basis for the concept of pationhood and national allegiance,

since this is something about which church leaders are conspicuously

It is obviously possible to assert in theory that, in an ideal world, there would everywhere be an open door;

complete freedom of movement by any-

one; an end to passports and a sense of universal brotherhood under a

world authority. That is as logically respectable a position to advance as total pacifism on theological grounds

ond just about as impracticable. The

reality is that there will continue to be separate states and nations, both providing part of the cement of cohesion necessary for any human

Sometimes state and nation are coterminous but by no means always. In Britain there are three nations, the

English, Scottish and Welsh (four if

the country belonged.

We who dote upon Beachcomber's List of Huntingdonshire Cabmen and the Seven Red-Bearded Dwarfs (who in-cluded Sophus Barkaya-Tong, Edeledel Edel, Frums Gillygottle and—oh, I might as well give them all—Scorpion de Rooftrouser, Churm Rincewind, Cleveland Zackhouse and Molonay Tubilderborst) are hardly likely to be impressed by Plato Foufas, Mrs Tackabassas Maddon and Thurnald berry McAdoo and Thusuelda Neusbickle, from Mr Train's first volume, or Loch Ness

Rontas, Lavender Hankey or Earless Romero, from his second, genuine articles though they be, and a nation which has in its time had Mr Denis has in its time had Mr Denis Healey as its Chancellor of the Exchequer will not consider Mr Train's work done until a third volume includes that memorable Siamese finance minister of some years back, Prince Dam Rong.

Ian Mackay, the great News Chronicle columnist, once dug out of some ancient newspaper files the result of a competition to find the most remarkable real name, and he printed a

real name, and he printed a selection of the finalists, though without much hope, as he said, of convincing his readers that he hadn't made them up. Which is not surprising in view of the fact that they included Septimus Bug, Fish Fish and through Trial And Tribulation We Come At Last To Heaven Slappe.

My family used to know a New York family which, in the first flush of enthusiasm for freedom's newest ally in the 1940s, named their son Joseph Stalin Pomerantz; only the other day my eye fell upon the striking moniker Brigadier O'Brien Twohig; for years and years I used to think that the famous Irish solicitors, Argew and Phibbs, were apocryphal, until somebody sent me a letter he had received from them; and Herbert Kretzmer of the Daily Mail insists that there is a man in the Nairobi telephonepook called Theanderblast Mischeedagel Sump, though it is only right to add that I do not

believe him.

It is the same Kretzmer, incidentally, who told me the lamentable tale of George C. Ziglbauer, of whom I was reminded when I came across Glacila Werberserch-Piffel, a Hollywood actress, in Mr. Train's compilation. George C. Ziglbauer was a well-known Hollywood figure in the Thirties. I think in some lesser burties. ties. I think in some lesser but 92 TG thereafter known throughout the industry as Upton Zigl-

Once, staying with Quentin Crewe, I plucked down Who's Who and read aloud, in Bidet, Gaston J. Feedlebound, Who and read aloud, in Halloween Buggage, Madonna Who and read aloud, in Ghostly, Mark Clark Van Ark, sonorous tones (I subsequently control of the whole thing to music), which my favourite entry, which reads, in part:

Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy. 7th Bt; son of Rustamjee J. C. Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy and Soonabai Rustomjee Byram-jee Jejeebhoy. Succeeded cousin, Sir Jamsetjes Jejeeb-hoy, 6th Bt, and assumed noy, 6m Bt, and assumed name of Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy in lieu of Maneckjee Rustomjee Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy. Chairman, Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy Parsee Jejeebhoy Parsee Penavology Jesebhoy Parsee Benevolent Institution : Trustee, Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy School of Arts, Byramjee Jejeebhoy Parsee Benevolent

Jejeebhoy.
Blow me if Quentia didn't promptly cap it by bidding me turn to: Sir Olateru Oba Alaigeluwa

Sir Olateru Oba Alaiyeluwa. Olagbegi II, the Olowo of Owo, son of Oba Alaiyeluwa. Olagbegi I; married, many sons and daughters; Educated, Owo Government School; Treasury Clerk in Owo Native Administration; Address, PO Box 1. Afin Oba Olowo, Owo; Telephone number: Owo 1. mately, their parents thought they were doing; it is equally Times Newspapers Limited, 1981

#### Ronald Butt

## Rebirth of a nation

There is no comparison between the sort of immigration experienced by Britain in the past 30 years and what happened in the previous 1,500

loyalty to the common state. Great ' Britain, whose Crown unites them.

In Spain there are several nations and there is some friction between them; in Belgium there are two lin-guistic nations whose rivalry is the most disruptive part of Belgian politics. though to an outsider the Belgians still seem united by more than divides them. In Germany there is one nation but

two political states

In the USSR and throughout the states of Asia and Africa there are multiplicities of national tribal and linguistic divisions which are of great political and social importance. In the new Zimbabwe, there is strife between two tribal nations.

The essential feature of nationhood is, of course, the wish of people sharing the same sense of identity, customs, and (in the broader sense) kinship, to live together in the same territory.
They do not wish to share that territory with any sizable (the qualification is all-important) number of others. Several nations can give allegiance to a state, but they usually wish to occupy their own part of its land and their wish is

usually understood.

We do not, for instance, think it odd
or reprehensible that many Welsh
people should feel auxious for their culture if their valleys are occupied by too many English but we are expected, it seems, to think it morally objectionable for an urban Englishman to com-plain when he finds himself in a "national" minority in the district where he lives. The fundamental fact of nationhood is that people with the same traditions, background and language, enjoying the easy interchange of shared understanding tend to like liv-ing and working together.

Yet with a prospect that in greater London about 20 per cent of the future population will be of New Commonwealth or Pakistani origin (the concentration) the Northern Irish majority is in- wealth or Pakistani origin (the concer-). Sometimes, of course, they are discluded each cherishing its sense of tration is much higher in particular criminated against. Yet which of the nationbood while giving overwhelming districts) the English inhabitants are immigrant groups is really able to cast

exhorted not to notice or to mind. They are told that historically they have always been a mixture (Danes, Normans and Huguenets are called in aid) and that what is happening is nothing

In reality, the English people have been pretty homogeneous since the first English settled their part of this island 1,500 years ago. Anglo-Saxons and Danes were similar and neighbouring peoples speaking a similar language and sharing an ancient cultural and religious tradition from pre-Christian times. Once the Danes ceased to come, those here were easily assimilated. As for the Normans, they were themselves Vikings speaking French, and they came in small numbers as a conquering upper class. For a couple of centuries it cannot have been pleasant to be a downgraded Anglo-Saxon, but in due course, with the Normans cut off from their French relations, homogeneity began again to prevail and shared Englishness to reassert itself, with one common language.

As for the refugees, the Huguenots came in limited numbers to Britain precisely because they were turned out of France for professing the same religion as the English majority; while the Jews came as refugees from tyrranies, not as a migration looking simply for

prosperity.

In short, there is no comparison in either kind or extent between the sort of immigration experienced by Britain in the past 30 years and what happened in the previous 1,500. What has pened in the previous 1,500. What has happened recently has created new ghertos and uneasy community relations which have to be corrected by force of law. It has been an immigration of people many of whom have a wholly different culture and language; some of whom wish to preserve this difference by arranged marriages.

the first stone in this matter of dis-crimination by kindred and national grouping? It has been commorplace grouping? It has been commotplace for "ethnic" groups to work to ether. We used to take it quite for ranted that there were many Jewish firms, employing principally Jews; I do not hear many complaints now about factory shifts divided ethnically among different groups of new imaigrants. Yet if there were cohparable "English" places of work, they would immediately be charges of racal discrimination.

Indeed, we invent procedules under which it is pronounced that not to allow a Sikh nurse to wear trouses on dury is racial discrimination and which demands instead that in this hospital obligatory uniform skirts should be abandoned for all nurses. At the time of the Bristol riots, it was freely suggested that the cause was the refusal of the police to bend the law to suit minority attitudes over dues.

It has repeatedly been alleged that fears of disturbing rivalities within the community were unjustifed and only self-fulfilling. Yet at the very moment that the Nationality Bill is so bitterly attacked as racialist, Mr Whitelaw feels obliged to introduce interstigation attacked as racialist, Mr whitelaw teels obliged to instigate at investigation into extremist groups that really are racialist in a malign sinse, that offer hostility and violence to immigrants already settled as pealeful subjects of the Crown; racialist groups that flourish only because of a sense of insecurity among some of the older nationalities in these islands.

A new feeling of nationality is now

A new feeling of nationality is now needed to embrace all who live here. needed to embrace/all who live here.

Why should regious leaders condemn this sense of nationhood any more than the sense of amily? Each has its own moral obligations and its own part in the scheme it human life. After immigration such as we have known in the past quarrer of a century, a new sense of coheion must be created. Nationality must be redefined so as to take account of all now here who have been recent immigrants. But for social stability we need to draw a line across the page of refent immigration. That is as important as it was when Danes and Normans were cut off from their external roots. Nationality has to be redefined, even if some of its consequences seen hard to some individuals, in order to recreate national cohesion. I cannot see what, on religious or moral grounds, is objectionable about that.

Have a care when someone says share

New words and new meanings; an occasional series by Philip Howard

our eyes and ears on this so called moral majority that is supposed to have helped to elect Ronald Reagan as President. Not only must we question their assertion that they are in a majority, and their desire to turn it into a monopoly. Not only must we remember that moral majorities are in most cases two per cent moral, 28 per cent majorities, and 70 per cent envy and feeble-mindedness. We must also watch their language, so that their Pecksniffian cant that their recommend one does not seep into general use without challenge. As William Balmford remarked, memorably, in The Seaman's Spiritual Comin The Seaman's Spiritual Co

"So 'tis with Christians, Nature being weak, While in this world, are liable to leak."

It has recently become fashionable for orators of all sorts to open their speeches to their unfortunate audiences with: "I want to stare with you . . .", or words to that effect. This use of share comes from the enthusiastic jargon of born-again Christian. It is a funny use of "share". When normal people share/something, they keep part for themselves, and divide the jest among others, often advally. Your moral majority orator keeps back nothing for himself or herself when he or she starts sharing. It all leafs out.

Memo to one eif: when a speaker announces that he is speaker announces that he is going to share spmething with you, resign youself to listening to a speech that is intolerably long, smug, and sanctimonious. If you are unlucky enough to be lat a religious rather than a plittical meeting, he may also ltart confessing grand but inprobable and vague sins. vague sins.

This specialized, selfish version of sharing comes from the hot, thick right of politics. The sanctimonious new use of "caring" comes, I suspect, from the left or, at any rate, the wet. It is become a very fashionable as a vaccoust hooray-wordin the cant of left wing and Iberal politics. It lays claim to a monopoly of righteousness for the speaker or his programme or policy. Anybody the opposes him is an uncarige, unfeeling, and, I dare say, ascist pig.

Well, we all care about something. Alman who cared about nothing would be a catatonic vegetable. Sam Johnson observed that some people have a foolish, and to the mindless and ill-founded political slanging to

pretending not to mind, what they et. For his part, he minded his belly very studiously, ind very carefully: "For I look pon it, that he who does not mind his belly will hardly mind bything else." The vogue use of caring, like moral majority, assumes priggishly and stupidly that nobody else care or has morals.

Smetimes the two moral majority words are used tomajority words are used to-gener. There is a rousing, miralizing slogan: "If every-bdy cared enough, and every-bdy shared enough, surely yerybody would have hough?" That is simple-hinded economic nonsense in many parts of the world, and in the world taken as one great, big, happy family. We need more than caring, sharing jar-gon in the real world. It is also noticeable that those who make such windy rhetoric are wellfed, well-dressed, and well-off. The louder the moral majority talk about sharing and caring, the faster let us count our

Correction

In the article on New Delhi published on Monday, Sir Reginald Blomfield should have been named as the alternative partner to Sir Edwin Lutyens and not his uncle, Sir Arthur



A relaxed Lord Denning in his garden.

# Judging the judicial monarch

Lord Denning excites extremes of opposing views. Seen by some as a saint who can do no wrong, by others as a once great judge who is now ruled more by prejudice than by the law, he is, like no other judge this century, the subject of intense interest and controversy, and not just among lawyers. He is now 82, and there is much speculation about whether of not he should resign. He shows no signs of falling mental part of the mindless and to the mindless and signs of failing mental agility, but has, in some eyes, become too big for his judicial

The trouble about the Denning debate is that much of it is based on emotion rather than knowledge. A few striking cases stay in the memory, and they are different cases for different people. To the majority of the population he is probably known as the champion of the little man battling against authority, the judge who chooses to do justice rather than keep to the strict letter of the law. But that is not the universal view of him. He arouses apoplexy in other circles.

A group of young law lecturers, mainly from Scottish universities, have set them-selves the task of trying to answer the great Denning con-undrum: Does this judicial monarch wear any conceptual clothes? Are his judgments based on anything more than hunch, whim or even prejudice, and thus an affront to true law, and thus an affront to true law, which forms a cohesive system, is consistent in application and so predictable in its future effects? Is the justice which he so often invokes as his guiding light amid the encircling gloom of bad precedents not a fifful and wayward torch? And how can this brazen judicial law-making be reconciled with the assumptions of parliamentary democracy?"

ill-founded political slanging to which he has sometimes been subjected.

The conclusions reached may not be palatable to the uncriti-cal admirers. The authors argue that Lord Denning "has slowly eroded the statutory rights of tenants until they are virtually deprived of the protection which Parliament introduced which Parliament introduced ";
that he has been "less than
rigilant in defence of the
limited rights of the underprivileged"; that his judgments
have made it more and more
difficult to predict when and
how judicial control will be administrative bodies; and that he has consistently placed him-self on the side of, and in sup-port of, governmental secrecy, with little or no regard for the

public interest in open govern-These are not new opinions, but they are at least made foll lowing detailed examination of Lord Denning's judgments an his extra-judicial comments. The author's conclusions may n convince, but their research s impressive. If there is to be continuing debate about Led Denning, this is the level at which it should be conduced.

Marcel Berins Legal Corresponent | Blomfield.

#### LONDON DIARY

#### Maggie wins the

#### Fany award One of the highlights of the

Prime Minister's visit to the United States later this month, apart of course from allowing audience with her, will be the presentation to her of the Donovan Prize, a little-known award of which Mrs Thatcher will be the first woman recipient.

The prize is named after a certain General "Wild Bill" Donovan, a First World War American hero who led the fighting Irish of New York. In the Second World War Donovan rose to be head of the Office of Strategic Services. the Americans' principal intel-ligence and black propaganda

Donovan died in 1959, and a body known as the "Veterans of the OSS" established the award in his memory, to be presented to suitable candidates "And anyway, we're sort of who embodied the general's love running out of old dodes who of freedom and democracy.

The lovers of freedom and democracy who have had this honour bestowed upon them in the past have not all been remarkable for their leftroad, views. They include Allen Dulles, the one-time head of the CIA, Earl Mountbatten, the moon astronauts Neil Armstrong and Edwin Aldrin, David Bruce, the former US ambassador in London, and Jacques Chaban-Delmas, the Gaullist president of the French National

Geoffrey Jones, president of the Veterans of the OSS, told my colleague Michael Leapman in New York yesterday that they thought it appropriate the award should go to a woman during the war the OSS had worked closely with a women's branch of the British Service, which he recalled being known as Fany.

Mrs Thatcher embodies the fighting spirit courage and willinguess to take risks to achieve goals, as the general did," said

#### On the button

The corridors of Whitehall will be emptying earlier than usual on Monday as civil servants hurry home to see the first in a new series of the BEC 2 comedy series, Yes Minister.

Although the scripts were written last summer, the problems which will confront Jim. Hacker and Sir Humphrey Appleby in coming weeks have a remarkably topical flavour: overmanning in the hearth survice, an appearance before a Commons Select Committee, and an increase in overscas students' fees.

The programmes are meticulously researched. Scriptwriters and leading actors have set in on Select committee hearings, and visited a minister's private office at the invitation of civil servants. As a result, perceptive viewers will observe that Hacker's diary is always filled in with a pencil, never in ink. "Just one of the little things we noticed", co-author Antony

Jay told me. Our own wide coverage of

provided material for the series. Jay also draws on an extensive network of retired permanent secretaries. He is particularly pleased with the accuracy of a fortherming scene in which Sir Humphrey is ticked off by the Secretary of the Cabinet. "I think we've got the lan-

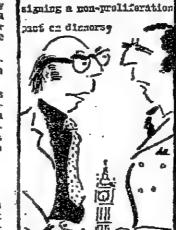
guage right," he told me with The format of the series has

already been sold to an American television company, and a professor of politics from California has even asked for tapes of the programme to show to

#### Wet line

I hear that a new use has been found for part of the redundant 165-mile network of underground pines belonging to the London Hydraulic Power Company that used to raise the bascules of Tower Bridge, lower the safety curtain of the Palladium, and elevate shoppers to the upper floors of Harrods.

Permission is being sought by the GLC to install a data Whitehall affairs, as well as the transmission link between revelations of Crossman and County Hall and New Scotland other political diarists, have all Yard. The fibre optics cable to



I'll join the first party

be laid in one of the old water pipes, is not, I was assured vesterday, to enable the police

County Hall. It is to link new suppose it could be coverted GLC and police computers to carry social denocratic which will control London's manifestos. traffic lights and, it is hoped, cut journey times by 8 per

At least that is what the GLC claimed. They also said that the present computer controlling 1,100 traffic lights had cut journey times in central Lon-don by one-tenth. I can't say I'd noticed.

London Hydraulic gave up providing water power in 1977, and since then have not known what to do with their pipe-lines; they dismissed sug-gestions that they be used to pump ice cream around the metropolis from one Dayville's parlour to another. The suspicious GLC cable will cross Westminster Bridge

by a duct and join the old Hydraulic network under Big Gen, to continue up Victoria cash.

Street. For some reason yester. It is day the Hydraulic company's manager was distinctly unwilling to talk about it, although the firm thinks the use of their network for data transmission could be greatly extended. As to keep a closer eye on some one pipeline runs directly from screamed foul and described of the darker machinations of Limehouse to Westminster, I the scheme as travesty of

#### Book now

Glad tidings today fo bibliophiles and biblioglutins, who lust after thumphe big scholarly books, by cannot afford the thumpit prices. Today's issues of he Times Literary Supplement and The Times Higher Educion Supplementant Times Higher Eduction Sup-plement are offering more than a thousand accemic tirles at discounts of mre than a quarter direct by pet.

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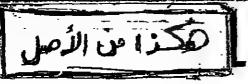
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book markening and partial remaindering quite outside book trade channels. After indignant consultation,

the same discount will also be available through selected bookshops. Glad tidings for classicists, anyway. This really is the time to buy that vast annotated Tactitus, with a trickle of text surrounded by vast swamps of commentary and

While odds are about even on the Pope saying Mass in Canter-bury Cathedral in 1982, I gather there is an outside chance of an even more Baroque compliment to the English in connexion with his visit—the canonization of that good and saintly king, Henry VI. Some 150 miracles have been offri-buted to his name: what mere could the Vancan want, to advertise the spirit of ecumenisaint ready for mutual acclama-tion? He missed the Rejormotion, by some 50 years, which makes him safely non-contro-

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#### NUCLEAR POWER IN DISARRAY

Committee on Energy has made a powerful attack on the nuclear industry. This is not surprising. The history of the development of nuclear power in Britain over the past decade and a half has been a sorry tale of wrong decisions, missed opportunities. and wasted money. But this does not mean that the Committee's recommendations are right.

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On coming to power the present administration quickly realized that the nuclear industry was in disarray, and that if nuclear power was going to play an important role in meeting the cnergy needs of the future it would need new orders and a commitment to a steady ordering programme. In fact, Mr Howell's statement of December 1979 was little more than a reaffirmation of the policy of the previous government. It backed the elecricity authorities in building two British-designed advanced gascooled reactors (AGRs), while establishing the option of an alternative by putting an American pressurized water reactor (PWR)—the type damaged at Three Mile Island—through a public inquiry, and ordering roughly one station a year of each type for ten years from

The programme appeared modest but rapidly ran into trouble as the Central Electricity Generating Board cut its demand estimates by 7 per cent. The

In its first report, the new Select Central Policy Review Staff was called in to examine whether the two recently ordered British AGRs should go ahead. After much heart searching in Cabinet the industry was allowed to continue with both. The Select Committee has not had the benefit of seeing the CPRS report, but it is convinced that only one of the AGRs should have been ordered. A minority of three of its members believed it was wrong to order either, arguing that the generating capacity is unnecessary and that the British design would be unlikely to produce electricity at sufficiently low cost.

The committee recognizes that it is now too late to cancel either order. In fact there have always been strong industrial arguments for keeping both going, as it is extremely doubtful whether the building of one AGR after a ten-year break in ordering would have been sufficient to keep the. British design as a true alternative if the American PWR failed to win public consent. But the main thrust of the Committee's argument is to suggest that falling energy demand has made Mr Howell's programme overambitious. It therefore recommends that each new order should be evaluated on its economic merits.

This does not seem sharply different from Mr Howell's own statement that the precise level of future ordering should depend policies.

on the development of electricity demand and the performance of the industry. But it is very different in spirit. It rejects the idea of a steadying ordering programme, which the industry 50 desperately needs. In fact the Committee does not want another station to be ordered until the first PWR is nearing completion, and that is likely to be at least six years away. The report says the Committee-does not want to create uncertainty, but that is exactly what it does, and that uncertainty is compounded by a recommendation that the Government look urgently at the Canadian CANDU reactor, the performance and safety of which the Committee much admires.

The CANDU option is seen by the Committee as an alternative if the PWR fails its public inquiry. That is always a possibility but there can be no guarantee that the CANDU would be any more acceptable than the PWR, and in the AGR Britain has a machine which, desoite its high cost and unreliability, is regarded by many as a potentially successful reactor. The Government would be well advised to stick to the policy it has adopted. In providing energy for the future it is better to ever-order rather than underorder. More than anything else, what the nuclear industry now needs is the assurance of stable

#### AMERICA'S DILEMMA IN EL SALVADOR

The European trip by Mr Lawrence Eagleburger, the Assistant Secretary of State designate, is an indication of the seriousness with which the Reagan Administration is treating the crisis in El Salvador. Mr Eagleburger, who is due in London today, has already been in Bonn, Paris and Brussels, and in each place he has been anxious to present the American version of events. Basically, this is that the Soviet Union, Cuba and other communist countries are intervening in El Salvador by providing military aid to the guerrilla movement, and that the governing junto of military men and Christian Democrats should be supported. Clearly Mr Eaglehurger must be listened to and his evidence of foreign intervention studied. Equally clearly he must expect a certain scepticism.

The uniortunate truth about Salvador is that it has suffered from military represion for nearly 50 years, and hat the military have tended to te supported by moneyed nterests and the political right. like other similar regimes in Central America, the Salvalorean military have also been acked by the United States. It s not to condone the activities of he guerrillas to say that it is lardly surprising that a violent resistance movement has grown up. Its emergence is not the doing of Cubans or other outside agents. The best way for the Americans to react is not simply to back a policy of repression in the name of anti-communism. Such an approach can do nothing to solve the very serious difficulties faced by El Salvador, and could in the long run lead to the installation of just the sort of anti-American leftist regime it was intended to prevent.

If there is firm evidence of Soviet, Cuban or other intervention in El Salvador, that would be a serious matter, and no European government could treat it lightly. But the crisis in El Salvador, like difficulties in the rest of Central America, is more than a matter of foreign intervention, and Europeans would like to feel that the Reagan Administration appreciates the complexity of the situation. The Carter Administration under-stood the issue, and responded by seeking amicable relations with the revolutionary government of Nicaragua, promoting reform in El Salvador, and emphasizing human rights throughout the region. The policy failed in El Salvador because the moderates who joined the military government were not able to control the

rightists in the armed forces and elsewhere. But that is no reason to revert to the simplistic approach of previous administrations, which tended to put the fight against communism above all other considerations. The danger for the Americans

is that El Salvador could become a running sore in their foreign policy, with public opinion ranged against them across the world. Parallels could be drawn Vietnam or, mutatis mutandis, with Afghanistan if they went so far as to commit troops. Luckily there is every sign that they are aware of the danger and Mr Eagleburger's trip with its aim of consulting America's allies before policy has been formed, is to be welcomed. It is true that El Salvador, on the United States's doorstep, is of far greater concern to them than to the Europeans. It is also true that some European countries would ne prepared to support American policy in El Salvador, whatever was, because of their need for American support in areas of greater importance to them. But an American policy of just providing arms and not trying to bring about a negotiated settlement would cause considerable strains.

#### CIVIL SABOTEURS?

The Civil Service unions, who lave been offered 6 per cent and nay have the sum increased to I per cent when they meet Lord cames on Monday, have been earing themselves for industrial ction to enforce something carer the 15 per cent they think their due. Regional action comtittees have been formed, sensiive targets chosen, a " communi-ations centre " set up in Vestminster, endorsement by the tembership has been secured or

heing sought. The way the union spokesmen re it is that civil servants are eing treated in an intolerable ishion by the Government. A wenty-five-year-old agreement bout the method of fixing their ay has been broken. Facts about lovement of pay rates outside re being ignored, though proindependent uced by an independent esearch body. They are being iscriminated against for polital purposes and to set an rample to others. They are ning what any trade union ould do in the circumstances fusing to be walked over and

reatening to retaliate. That is how they see themelves. It is not how others see

r. Dr. Alex Comfort's disquiet

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them. From outside they look like a large, a swollen, class of employees which has fared well in recent times in respect of pay, pension rights and job security. This time they are being required to make do with a small increase of a size common enough throughout manufacturing industry, and in service industries—outside the financial sector where there are still rich pickings to be had. The preparations they are making, with the care and vocabulary of a general staff, may look to them like normal collective sanctions for use by those labouring under a large grievance. From a little farther away they look like a conspiracy to sabotage crucial parts of the financial business of the state.

The general secretary of the Inland Revenue Staff Federation said the other day that there was a serious risk that some of his members would sabotage tax computers because of their depth of feeling about the pay negotiations. He was careful to say that his union would not condone such action, which would indeed be criminal. If the general secretary is right and that is the state of mind of some inland revenue officials: and if, as must be supposed, it is a state of mind that is not confined to one Civil Service union; and since a readiness to cripple some important operation of government by damaging the equipment on which it is performed is but an extreme instance of a commoner readiness to cripple the operation by damaging the administrative process necessary for its performance; then the attitude of public servants towards the duties they are entrusted with by the state has undergone a sad corruption.

In the interval of sharpening their contingency plans to disrupt the flow of government business. the leaders of the civil servants trade unions ought to pause to reconsider the attitude that is implicit in their preparations. There are a lot of civil servants. but some have public charge of business that is central to the state. They are in positions of exceptional public trust. They also as a class have a more than average interest in the order, effectiveness and reliability of the public administration. And of course they ought to be treated fairly.

nation of intellectual and educative ideas and information, despite the systems' manufacturers' unfortunate tendency to miss the point by pack ing their video disc catalogues with old movies.

Just as developments in book and periodical publishing were wel-comed as agents for spreading knowledge, so we should be prepared to accept and hasten mass video bome market in the near future" for the same purpose and reason. But, as with so many potentially beneficial elements of the new technology, one expects the fears and jealousies of established interests will retard, if not totally prevent progress. Yours faithfully. DAVID FISHER, Editor, reendigest.

#### Arts sponsorship

Gower Street, WCI.

From the Chairman of the Poetry Society and others Sir, Despite the exhortations of the Minister for the Arts that arts organizations increase their income from commercial sponsorship, the experience of the Poetry Society suggests that the Arts Council of Great Britain can act to discourage

Having increased income from its activities—through sponsorship and otherwise—the Poetry Society lost 15,000 of its ACGB grant last year in the form of a "guarantee against loss". For next year the ACGB have reduced the society's grant by a further £5.000 (£15,000 in real terms : This further cut is probably the result of our making a surplus last year. This latest cut must place in jeopardy our ability to continue raising income in the way the Arts Alinister suggests, for the society uses its public money so that for every 11 it receives it generates a every II it rece still larger sum.

Surely financial efficiency and success should be rewarded rather than penalized by the ACGB? This should be especially so when the ACGB is cutting its own subsidy to many organizations and when public money spent on the arts should be seen to be effective in promoting

the arts. We are your obedient servants, CLIFFORD SIMMONS, Chairman. DANNIE ABSE, President, ALAN BROWNJOHN, Deputy Chair-

EERNARD BROOK-PARTRIDGE. NORMAN BUCHAN, The Poetry Society. 21 Earls Court Square, SW5. February 5.

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Need to expand the economy

From Professor W. A. H. Godley Sir, By general consent, the first major industrial slump since the thirties has now arrived. But those who believed a sustained recovery will occur, without a complete

reversal of policy are wrong.

The Prime Minister keeps saying that full employment policies such as those followed by Mr Macmillan inevitably led to higher prices. This is not true. Under Mr. Builer and Mr. Macmillan inflation fell pretty steadily from 9 per cent per annum in the two years 1950-52 to under 1 per cent per annum in the two years 1958-60. Nor is it true that if years 1950-ou. Nor is it true that it inflation dies down, this by itself will create jobs. An increase in jobs can only occur if there is a large and sustained increase in soles of British-produced goods and sectices. The exchange rate has now been high for on long that change in

so high for so long that changes in exports and import penetration are bound to exert a negative influence on sales for several years even if inflation falls to nil. There is nothing under present policies to offser this except some small, temporary relief when desiocking

es to an end. It is time people stopped assuming that a spontaneous recovery is round the corner and realized that the slump, so far from coming to an end, is still in its early stages. They should see that it is a matter of desperate urgency for the survival of our industries and the future of our society that, whether or not import controls are imposed, fiscal and monetary policy should now be changed so as to, expand demand and bring down the exchange rate.

.The longer an attempt at expansion is delayed, the more our economy will be devastated and, since new policies take a long time to be effective, the greater the difficulties that will then be encountered.

Yours fairhfully, WYNNE GODLEY. Department of Applied Economics, University of Cambridge, Sidgwick Avenue, Cambridge.

#### More work, more leisure

From Mr Mark Wathen Sic, In the early thirties, as a humble junior bank clerk in a provincial town, I wrote to you on the subject of unemployment. The gist of my letter was that we had now reached an era in history when, at last, man need not work so hard, having invented machines to help him. Working hours could therefore be and man-could learn to use his leisure. Fearing that, in the unlikely event of your publishing my letter, my employers might dis-approve, I later cabled you not to publish. You kindly published my thoughts as a fourth leader.

Fifty years later one wonders, once more, whether this grave prob-lem is being approached in the right way. As fast as we create jobs we create machines to do those jobs. if, however, all overtime were for-bidden, where possible, and we achieved a much shorter working week, more of us would be working and we should be able to enjoy more leisure, which we should have to learn how to use. Many of us would earn less, but many more out of work would be employed ance more.

I have put this approach to others in responsible positions and on the shop floor; I have had nothing but agreement, with the proviso that the problems would be formidable and that it could not apply to the self-employed. It would be interest-ing to hear the views of others. Yours faithfully, MARK WATHEN, Talisker House,

Carbost. Isle of Skye. February 4.

#### Intervention in Poland.

From Professor Robin Kemball Sir, Soviet intervention in Polish affairs seems to be increasingly regarded as an "inevitable" corollary of the Yalia agreement; on all sides one hears expressious, not only of surprise and relief, but lmost of gratitude and admiration, hat the Russians have been tolerant" so long.

It seems high time to point out that, by any normal standards, there is not and cannot be one iota justification for any such interference, which, Yalta or no Yalta, socialism or no socialism, would still represent a flaerant breach of all those international obligations to which the Soviet Government has voluntarily subscribed (a view recently expressed, incidentally, by other communist states such as Romania and Yugo-

slavia). 🕟 The measure of people's "relief" is exactly the measure of the outrageous standards of international rageous standards of International Conduct to which the Soviet Union has accustomed us hitherto. Only against such utterly false criteria does observation of the elementary norms of international decency take

on an aura of saintliness. It may well be true, as you stated in your leader yesterday (February 11) that "the Soviet Union's interest in Poland is probably more military than ideological", but this applies no less to the United States in relation to their Nato allies. Yet who has ever suggested that the United States had a right to intervene (let alone dreamed of interrening) militarily in any of those Nato countries which from time to time have put at risk the security of the Alliance: Turkey and Greece, Portugal (when that country seemed on the brink of a communist takeover), not to mention France, who from the Nato pact

altogether? This seems to be one more sphere in which people, even those of the highest intentions, are becoming the unwitting victims of a myth and are in serious danger of applying double standards. I am, Sir, your faithful obedient

servant, ROBIN KEMBALL, Université de Lausanne, Faculté des Lettres. Section de Langues Slaves, Rue Cité-Devant 4, CH-1005 Lausanne. February 12.

#### SAS conduct in embassy siege

From Brigadier J. J. H. Simpson

Sir, The Attorney General has althe selective nature of the facts advanced by Mr Eruce Harris (February 16), and where he has his

facts wrong.

As an ex-Commander of The Special Air Service, I would make two points only, which I suspect are not fully understood. 1 The SAS are used as a very last resort when all other means of

seving hostage lives have failed. The legal requirements and procedures leading to their use have been ex-haustively studied and rehearsed. 2 Once committed, the overriding priority of the troops involved is to save hostage lives (incidentally At Knightsbridge the terrorists had six days in which to surrender and when the assault went in, they had

already killed. In the split-second

timing necessary to save hostage lives, there could be no question of the SAS taking the slightest chance of the terrorists using the weapons in their possession, or h might have been concealed. Without knowing and details of the Iranian Embarsy siege beyond what I have read in the press or seen on television, I would venture to suggest that a number of hostages might not be alive today had the SAS not acted as they did. The SAS are a very carefully selected and professional body of men

Yours faithfully, J. J. H. SIMPSON, c/o Barclays Bank International Ltd. 33 Old Broad Street, EC2.

who know not only the risks they run, but also the law as it stands.

From Dr Gruham Zellick Sir, Mr Hall-Jones (February 16) is mistaken in stating that section 3 of the Criminal Law Act 1967, which governs the use of force in preventing crime, was not designed to cover highly trained and powerfully armed soldiers called in to support the civil power, but was "aimed at the "have a goers" and others who

use force to prevent 'domestic' crime". If that were so, why did the Criminal Law Revision Committee recommend, and Parliament implement in the 1967 Act, the abolition of the Rips Act, the abolitical action of the Act, the abolitical action of the Act, the Act, the abolitical action of the Act, the Act of the Rint Act 1714, which specifically provided for the use of lethal force to disperse a mob after the reading of the prescribed proclamation? The Act is now superseded by section 3 of the 1967 Act is baine clear that the use of Act, it being clear that the use of anything other than reasonable force

be subjective is alarming. It would be impossible to have one test for the police and another for the military called in to assist them. There is room for only one test and an objective one is perfectly ant for the extraordinary and unenvisible situation in which soldiers may find themselves, since it takes account themselves, since it takes account of all the relevant circumstances.

terrorists who have already killed two of their hostages will not be expected to demonstrate the caution and restraint of a police constable reprehending a suspected shop-lifter. As the Criminal Law Revision Committee said in recommending the provision that is now section 3 of the 1967 Acr. "... the court. in considering what was reasonable force, would take into account all the circumstances, including in particular the nature and degree of

The training and equipment of soldiers assisting the civil power argue for stringent controls, certainly no less demanding than those which govern the police. The suggestion that they may be freed from this responsibility would damage public confidence in their give them quite unnecessary and dangerous privilege. Yours faithfully, GRAHAM ZELLICK, Queen Mary College, Mile End Roud, E1.

All the Bill does is to equate citizens by naturalization or registration with citizens by descent instead of with citizens by birth. This is pelsacr Illogi-

Four days later, to the surprise

of almost everyone, Mr Whitelaw

capitulated to the immigrants' lobby

on this issue. His proposed amend

ment will give to an immigrant who takes our citizenship the right to

pass on that privilege to his child-ren even if they are born abroad and have no contact or other con-

nexion with this country.
It is manifestly unjust that British

people living abroad should not have

who in the spirit of the age live,

work, marry and have children there. Most have homes in Britain.

Those who happen to have been born on the other side of the Chan-nel are now to be deprived of the

right to pass their procious nation-

ality on to their children. For them "racial discrimination" is an apt description of what Mr Whitelaw

#### Nationality Bill

Sir. Because it was tabled at a late stage, the significance of one of the Home Secretary's proposed amendments to the British Nationality

to children born abroad.

the Bill between the competing claims of immigrant Britons and those of indigenous Eritons living on Britons who have for generations served their country overseas, Conservative backbenchers were prepared to accept it. As Mr Whitelaw's Private Secretary said in a letter of February 2 to the Director of the United Kingdom Immigrants' Advisory Service (Mr John Ennals):

Zimbabwe press ownership From Mr Colin Leguni Sir, At the time of the original

announcement that Mr Robert Mugabe's Government was planning to reform Zimbabwe's press ownership there was considerable media criticism in this country, including from yourself. But since the official plans have been announced I have not seen a single comment, either for or against, in any national newspaper.
What must therefore remain in

the minds of readers of the British press is the first impression they were given that the Zimbabwe Government has simply nobbled newspapers, I submit that all of us concerned about defending press freedom where it exists, and enlarging it where it doesn't, should take some encouragement from what is proposed in Zimbabwe.
Instead of establishing a govern-

ment-controlled press—so sadly the case in much of the Third World (not, of course, to mention the communist world)—the Zimbabwe authorities have transferred ownership to a Mass Media Trust, modelled somewhat on the lines of the BBC, whose charter was studied by the Minister of Information; Dr Nathan Shamuyarira. The appointed board of trustees

#### Youth and 'The Times' From Mr John Duckworth

Sir, Many a Times reader must have felt a slight fremor of unwelcome anticipation when Mr Murdoch spoke last night (February 16) on Panorama of his intention to seek to attract. The younger reader to your columns. trust he may be prevailed upon

to limit such efforts to increasing the subsidy you have for many years afforded your student readers. While allegiances formed from such early exposure to your manifold excellences must often prove lasting to the point of entry under your "Deaths" column, they might be fragile when confronted with delights aimed to titillate the young, in contrast to their seniors. What evidence have you that reading The Times comes upon one only in later life?

Yours faithfully, JOHN DUCKWORTH, Lincoln House, 296/302 High Holborn, WC1.

From Professor J. D. Lever

Sir, During the course of his interview on Panorama this evening (February 16). Mr Ruoert Murdoch declared his hope that The Times would in future be more attractive to a younger readership. I believe that the present devotees of The Times are persons of discrimination from many age groups who appreciate its incomparable journalistic standards. Yours faithfully, I. D. LEVER. University College, Cardiff.

# was unacceptable. Mr Hall-Jones's suggestion that the test of a soldier's liability should

A soldier bursting into an embassy occupied by heavily armed

force used, the seriousness of the evil to be prevented and the possibility of preventing it by other mons." (Cmod 2659, 1966, para 23).

From Mr Ivor Stanbrook, MP for Orpington (Conservative) Bill has not yet been fully appreciated. I believe it will be litterly resented among Britons overseas.

The original Bill provides that such people, if not born in this country, will not have the right to pass on to their children that citizenship which has been their birthright and their ascendants' birthright through many centuries of British bistory. It also provides that immigrants to this country who become British citizens will also not baye the right to pass on that citizenship

This was the belance struck in

Yours faithfully. TVOR STANBROOK, House of Commons. are representative of a wide section of the community, possibly as rep-resentative as the board of the BBC. They include the current (white) chairman of the Confederation of Zimbabwe Industries; a widely respected Salisbury physician; the new Vice-Chancellor of the University; and Mrs Grace Todd, wife of Senator Garfield Todd, the former Prime Minister. Both the Todds have close Ndebele

connexions, and were associated in the past with Mr Joshua Nkomo. Knowing Mrs Todd, I am confident that she would not for a moment have considered becoming a trustee without having completely satisfied herself of her independent

Of the five editors appointed one is Mr Willie Masurirwa, an executive member of Mr Nkomo's own party, not of Mr Mugabe's. Naturally, this system has its weaknesses and is open to abuse as, indeed, is the BBC. But it does strike me as a step to be welcomed and encouraged in the rest of the Third World: perhaps Solidarity might borrow from it in their struggle to enlarge press freedom in Poland. Yours etc.

COLIN LEGUM. 15 Denhigh Gardens. Rthmond, Surrey.

#### Pakistan and Iran

From the Ambassador of Pakistan Sir, This refers to Mr Tony Allaway's dispatch from Tehran (Feb 4) about the recent visit of Pakistan's Foreign Minister, Mr Agha Shahi, to the Iranian capital. The fact is that during his Tehran

visit Foreign Minister Agha Shahi did not condemn any country, nor did he make a request for a meeting with Imam Khomeini.

Mr Agha Shabi appealed to the

Iranian leaders to receive a good-will delegation of eight heads of state and governments appointed by the recent Tail Islamic summit conference in pursuance of the Islamic world's desire that the Iran-Iraq war should end soon.

war should end soon.

Foreign Minister Agha Shahi
emphasized that the Islamic
countries wanted to find a just
solution of the Iran-Iraq conflict in
solution of the Iran-Iraq conflict in accordance with the principles of justice and internetional law, peaceful settlement of disputes, non-acquisition of territory by war and non-interference in the internal affairs of states and that they regarded any occupation of the lands of other countries as an illegal and denounceable act. The Iranian Prime Minister's response was that the delegation was welcome to come and see for itself the damage caused by the Iran-Iraq conflict and that Iran was the victim of aggi'ession.

Yours truly, ALI ARSHAD. Embassy of Pakistan. 35 Lowndes Square SW1. February 17.

#### Opting out of the Canadian quarrel

From Professor Hedley Bull Sir. It is intolerable that both sides in the Canadian constitutional dis-pute should be seeking to make the United Kingdom Parliament the intrument of their purposes, thus consuring that obloquy will be heaped upon this country whether it accedes to the request for "patriation", on Ottawa's terms or not.

Here, as in so many other cases in the recent past. Britain's interests

in the recent past, Britain's interests are only damaged by reluctance to break free of an historical involvement that has become purely fic-titious, Purliament should disregard both Ottawa and the Provinces and take steps to divest itself of all responibility in relation to the future of the British-North America Act, thus throwing the problem back into the laps of the Canadians, where it

Yours sincerely, HEDLEY BULL: Montague Forton Professor of International Relations, Balliol College, Oxford.

February 16.

#### Wembley decision

From Mr William Rodgers, MP for Teesside, Stockton (Leheur) Sir. Mr Ken Gill (February 18) makes the point perfectly. The argument over the electoral college is not about percentages but policy or, as I would prefer to put it, principle

Mr Gill, who is both general sec-retary of AUEW (Technical and Supervisory Section)—not, incidentally, of the engineering union as a ally, of the engineering union as a whole—and a member of the communist party, claims that the Labour Party is essentially the property of the trade unions. In this way, he justifies the fact that communists, amongst others, will help to elect the Labour leader under an electoral college. He is perfectly free to hold this view and is outte frank about it. But does it really appeal to those of my colleagues in the House of Commons who have embraced an electoral

I see that the leaders of the new Labour Solidarity Campaign seek to reverse the Wembley decision. But previous practice whereby the leader of the Labour Party has been elected by Labour FIPs. Is this really their united object? Or are they at one with Mr Gill in wanting to retain an electoral college and only hope to fiddle with the figures?

Ynurs sincerely. WILLIAM RODGERS, House of Commons, February 18.

#### seeks to confer on immigrant Britons. In Western Burope today there are many British residents Suspected racial attacks

From Mr Kent Barker Sir. While a journalist should be cautious of complaining short selective reporting, especially of his own material, I must take issue with Andrew Brons as he quotes me in his letter of February 15. Although it is true to say is absolutely no evidence that the National Front as a body or political party either instigates or sanctions such (racial) attacks" (my italics), what Mr Brons fails to mention is that there is plenty of evidence to suggest that supporters and mem-bers of the National Front are consistently involved in racial

attacks. Furthermore in supporting his premise that such attacks are "further evidence that the multi-racial society has failed." Mr Brons totally fails to consider how avowedly racialist groups and organizations serve to promote such attacks by influencing the opinions of the young and impressionable. Sincerely.

KENT BARKER. 14 Crooms Hill, Greenwich, S.E.10. February 16.

#### Medical defensiveness

From Mr Gerald Robertson Sir. Your leader "Medical defen-siveness" (February 4) makes the bold statement that "In the last 10 years, the number of court cases in which doctors are accused of professional negligence has risen 10 times". This is certainly a view which many in the medical profes-sion would have us believe, and it well accord with the general public's impression as a result of increased publicity surrounding such cases. However, your statement purports to be one of fact, rather than merely a reflection of medical or public opinion, and as such it could scarcely be further from the

The annual statistics published in relation to legal aid proceedings (which account for almost all medical negligence cases), once they are adjusted to take account of variations in the method of analysis in recent years, demonstrate that medical negligence proceedings have not even doubled in the last 10 years, ler alone "risen 10 times". Uninformed editorial comment such as this only serves to compound the dangerous myth that our courts are being swamped by a tidal wave of medical negligence claims. Yours faithfully.

GERALD ROBERTSON, Faculty of Law. The University, Leicester. February 12.

#### Care of ancient buildings From Lord Mersey

From Lord Mersey
Sir, I share Mr Lloyd Webber's
romantic attraction (February 16)
to the overgrown state of Basham
Abbey, But it must be the case
that the Department of the Ensironment's job is to preserve ancient
buildings for future generations.
And it is also the asset that assets And it is also the case that vegetarion on a building is a parasite feed-ing on that building. Ivy, for

instance, destroys mortar.
The DoE's "piles of naked masonry" bave often been described as ugly and sterile. But the alterna-tive is monumental collapse. In 50 years' time Bavham Abbey could be no more than a pile of old STONES.

Yours faithfully, MERSEY, 1 Rosmead Road, W11. February 16.



#### **COURT CIRCULAR**

BUCKINGHAM PALACE February 18: His Excellency Mr Arambamoorthy T. Moorthy was received in audience by The Queen and presented the Letters of Recall of his predecessor and his own Letters of Commission as High Commissioner for the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka in London.

Lanka in London.

His Excellency was accompanied by the following members of the High Commission who had the bonour of being presented to Her Majesty: Mr V. Vamadeva (Countries Secretary), Mr E. G. Dayananda (First Secretary), Mr T. Dharmasena (Second Secretary) and Mr S. B. Atugoda (Third Secretary).

being received by The Queen. Sir Michael Palliser (Permanent Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs) who had the honour of being received by Her Majesty was present, and the Gemlemen of the Household in Waiting were in attendance.

The Lord Denham, having been previously appointed a Privy Councillor, was sworn in a Member of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council.

The Right Hon Nigel Lawson, baying been previously appointed a Privy Councillor, made affirmation as a Member of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council. Sir Neville Leigh was in atten-dance as Clerk of the Council. The Lord Suames had an audi-ence of The Gueen before the Council.

Council.

Her Majesty this afternoon visited Young and Company's Brewery, Wandsworth High Street, SW18 to mark the Company's 150th Anniversary.

Having been received upon arrival by the Mayor of Wandsworth (Councillor M. D. Johnson) The Queen was escorted on a tour of the Brewery by the Chairman of the Company i Mr John Young) and afterwards visited the Stables and Shire Horses.

Mrs John Dugdale, Lleutenant-

The Duke of Edibburgh, as an Honorary Life Member of the Royal Association of British Dairy Farmers, presented The Prince Philip Award and Certificates of Merit at Euckingham Palace today. Lord Rupert Nevill was in atten-

YORK HOUSE. I JAMES'S PALACE February 18: The Duke of Kent today presented the Fellowship Awards in Manufacturing Management for the Engineering Industry Training Board at the Royal Garden Hotel. Kensington.

Lieutenant-Commander Richard

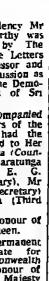
The Duchess of Roxburghe gave birth to a son in Edinburgh yes-

#### Birthdays today

The Rev Dr G. Henton Davies; 75; Lord Forbes, 63; Mr John Freeman, 66; Lord Henniker, 65; Professor Bernard Meadows, 66; Sir John N. Nicholson, 70.

#### Memorial service

Michael Joseph) was held yester-day at St Paul's, Covent Garden. The Rev John Arrowsmith offici-ated and Mr Robin Denniston, Oxford University Press, led the prayers. Mr Dick Francis read a poem by John Donne and Mr Max Hasting (stepson) gave an



Mrs Moorthy had the honour of

Sir Richard Posnett was received in audicace by The Queen upon his appointment as Governor of Bermuda. Lady Posnett had the honour of being received by Her Majesty. The Queen held a Council at 12.40 o'clock this afternoon.

There were present: the Lord Soames (Lord President), the Lord Soames (Lord President), the Lord Denham (Captain of the Gentlemen-at-Arms), the Lord Mackay of Clashfern (Lord Advocate), the Right Hon Mark Carlisle, MP (Secretary of State for Educaton and Science), the Right Hon Thomas King, MP (Minister of State, Department of the Environment) and the Right Hon Nigel Lawson, MP (Financial Secretary, Treasury). Treasury).

The engagement is announced between Simon Charles, younger son of Captain M. Beeching, Royal Navy, and Mrs Beeching, of Ashtead, Surrey, and Patricia Marie Hélène, daughter of his Excellency the Luxembourg Ambassador. M Roger Hastert, CMG, and Mme Hastert. Mr I. M. W. Boardman and Miss K. P. Faulkner
The engagement is announced between fain, son of Mr J. A. Boardman, of Hurstpierpoint, Sussex, and Kay, daughter of Mrs D. Newsum, of Uttoxeter. Stafford-

Mrs John Dugdale, Lleutenant-Colonel Sir John Miller, Mr William Heselting and Squadron Leader Adam Wise were in atten-dance The Duke of Edinburgh, as an

Bermuda.
Mr P. J. Roser
and Miss T. Grollman
The engagement is announced
hetween Philip J. Hoser, of Downing College, Cambridge, elder son
of Mr and Mrs L. Hoser, of
Sydney, Australia. and Tessa,
uder daughter of Mr and Mrs S.
Grollman, of Sydney, Australia.
Mr S. R. Lower His Royal Highness this evening addressed the All Party Conserva-tion Committee of both Houses of Parliament at the Houses of Parliament

The Prince of Wales this even-ing attended the Annual Dinner of The Queen's Flight at Royal Air Force, Benson, Oxfordshire.

Mr S. R. Lowy
and Miss V. A. Cooper
The engagement is
between Steven Lowy.

KENSINGTON PALACE February 18: The Duke of Glou-cester was present this evening at the opening, by Otumfuo Opoku Ware II. Asantehene, of the Asante Exhibition of The Museum of Mankind. London.
Lieutenaut-Colonel Simon Bland

was in attendance.

Prince Andrew is 21 today.

Mr G. B. Wilson and Miss P. P. T. Simms The engagement is announced between Graham, son of Mr and Mrs George Wilson, of Lindford, Bordon, Hampshire, and Patricia, daughter of Mr and Mrs R. J. Simms, of Bishop's Cleeve, Chelenbam.

The Hon Mrs Hastings A memorial service for the Hon Mrs Hastings (the Hon Mrs

# Prince Andrew, who is 21 today, in the grounds of Buckingham Palace. He will spend the day flying at RNAS Culdrose. The Flowers of the Forest; and The Fomiliar Faces make plain the Garnetts, though they lived

#### Henry VIII coin fetches £13,000 By Geraldige Norman Sale Room Correspondent

The only known surviving example of one of the new coins introduced by Henry VIII in 1526 was sold at Sothehy's yesterday for £13,000 to

It is a George Noble, of which two varieties were minted; a Flemish merchant's handbook of 1551 reproduces both for the information of fellow traders. No example of the type was known to numismatists until this coin appeared at Sotheby's.

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It had been suggested that such a coin existed in an article published in 1963 by Dr J. P. C. Kent, "A Lost Variety of the George Mobile". Now its existence is confirmed. Sotheth's catalogue states that the present owner has had it in his possession for a number of years and suggests that it was

Mr S. C. Beeching and Mile P. M. H: Hastert The engagement is announced

shire, and the late John W. Faulkner, of Hongkong and

between Steven Lowy. Juris Dr. BA, only son of Mr. and Mrs Mordmer Lowy. of Los Angeles, California, and Victoris Cooper. BA (Hons), only daughter of Dr. Barrington Cooper and the late Mrs Fay Cooper, of Marylebone, London.

and Miss J.a. Bartlett
The engagement is announced
between Richard John Alex, elder
son of Mr and Mrs W. T. Legon,
of Kingswood, Surrey, and Judith-

Mr R. J. A. Legon and Miss J-a. Bartlett

**Forthcoming** 

marriages

a groat struck at the Inchiquin mint,

The coin sale was very popular, as had been the case with Christie's sale the day before, with a total of \$206,203 and 3 per cent sussold. It contained several rarities. A previously unrecorded hoard of the coinage of the Great Rebellion (1642-1649), apparently discovered in the Limerick area, realized £15.940. The top price was £2,800 (estimate £4,000-£5.000) for Trancia.

for £1,300 (estimate £800-£1.000). Sotheby's also held a routine sale of \$21,000 in Master paintings, although the catalogue described them as "line". The total was \$21,150, with 14 per cent unsold. The top price was £1,000-£1,300), paid by a \$25,800 (estimate £800-£1,000).

An even more minor sale of pictures at Christie's South Kensington underlined the strength of the bottom end of the market; a view of "La Marina Grande, Capri", by Maurice Levis, made £1,300 (estimate £403-£600) and the sale totalled £20,182, with 12 processors unsaled

The National Youth Orchestia is

planning an appeal to save itself

from possible extinction. It has lost its £20,000 grant from the

Mr John Ross, the orchestra's

administrator, said: "We have two years to live". Reserves could probably cover expected deficits for the next two seasons but he was worried about the future.

He said the right conductor or soloist had to be booked several years in advance. "How bonest can you be to eagage them not knowing whether you can fulfill that commitment?"

Latest appointments

BBC governor

Miss Jocelyn Barrow, who is to

serve as a governor of the BBC.

Street last night.

relations,

25 years ago

it was announced from Downing

Miss Barrow, who was born in

Trinidad but has lived in Britain

for the past 21 years, will fill a

vacancy created by the appoint-

ment last year of Mr George

Howard as chairman of the cor-

poration, and will serve until July

31 next, when the term of office

of all the governors ends on the

Miss Barrow, whose married name is Mrs Henderson Downer,

is teaching and doing research at

the Institute of Education, Lon-

don University. In 1972 she was

appointed OBE for her contribu-

tion to education and community

Other appointments include:

Lady Windlesham to be a trustee of the London Museum in succes-sion to Mr Nicholas Goodison.

Professor A. J. Harding Rains to be Regional Postgraduate Medical Dean in the South-West Thames

region, and an assistant director of the British Postgraduate Medi-

cal Federation, in succession to Professor G. W. A. Dick.

expiration of the BBC's charter.

at university

teaches

By Our Music Reporter

Arts Council,

#### Crafts centre and museum of film proposed

By Martin Huckerby Developments planned by two

Developments planned by two artistic organizations were discissed in evidence to a House of Commons select committee yesterday: a museum of the moving image and a national centre for the Crafts Council.

Giving evidence to the Select Committee on Education, Science and the Arts, which is investigating funding of the arts, the British Film Institute said it was seeking money for a museum of the moving image; which would be a central museum of film and television.

It would combine a permanent exhibition and changing displays of stills, posters and placards, with film and video screenings. Another curiosity was an untrimmed strip of eight Charles I was sington underlined the strength of the bottom end of the market; a view of "La Marina Grande. Clearly struck into the metal but they have not been cut round to turn them into individual coins. The price was £2,200 (estimate £403-£600) and the sale totalled £20,182, with 12 per cent unsold. The institute said it was seeking money for a museum of the moving finage; which would be a central unseem of film and television. It would combine a permanent exhibition and changing displays of stills, posters and placards, with the price was £2,200 (estimate £20,182, with 12 per cent unsold. The institute said it was seeking money for a museum of the moving finage; which would be a central unseem of film and television. It would combine a permanent exhibition and changing displays of stills, posters and placards, with film and video screenings. The institute pointed out that the more traditional arts had built up substantial networks of

patronage and support, with research institutes and training schools, tuition in schools and wide representation in museums and libraries. As newcomers, film and television were "desperately underprivileged".

The Crafts Council said its priority was the establishment of a national centre as a focus for the finest craft work from Britain and abroad

and abroad

and abroad

Although such a centre could
not be established without extra
funds, the council would be trying to raise £120,000 from the
private sector for converting and
fitting out a new gallery. It
believed the existence of a proper
rational centre would craftle the national centre would treble the value of the work it was doing. It also wanted to establish regional centres Youth orchestra may face extinction

The orchestra provides three training courses a year in school holidays for about 160 talented every company and foundation that might help. young players, who study under leading nuscicians and perform in public concerts. The orchestra bas put much effort into fund-raising to cover the cost of the concerts but it has not found it easy.

that might help.

It was told by the Arts Council that it could reapply for a grant for 1982-83 and would receive sympathetic consideration, but Mr Ross said that statements from the council about the need to concentrate support on professional organizations indicated that the youth orchestra's chances of regaining its grant were probably slender.

The orchestra is lobbying MPs The orchestra is lobbying MPs

It receives £30,000 a year spon-sorship from Lloyds Bank but it recognizes that there are limits to the generosity of the bank, which in any case never wishes to become the total sponsor of an organization. and the Department of Education and Science, seeking either roinstatement of its grant or funding direct from the Government, but Mr Ross is not optimistic about success there. organization.

For the appeal the orchestra hopes to approach the 3,000 people who have played in it since it was formed in 1947, as well as

#### Finder allowed to keep silver coin

By Harry Golombek
The fifth game in the match for the Grieveson Grant British chess championship played vesterday at the RAC Club, Pail Mall, ended the RAC vesterday. The opening was a modern Benom defence, which Hartston Mr John Harlin, of Farnborough,

Kent, a self-employed car sprayer, Benom detence, which Hartston handled in vigorous style by advancing his pawns first on the Queen's wing and then in the centre. Nunn countered in equally vigorous fashion and when on move 22 Hartston proposed a draw the advantage looked to be in found it in Tye Lane, Farnborough, a public footpath through land owned by the London borough of Bromley.

Miss Marion Archibaid, assistant

keeper of the coins and medals department of the British Museum, said coins of that type had a catalogue value of about £1,100.

The half point was enough to secure the title for Nunn, as with three points to Hartston's two he could not lose the match. If he loses the sixth and last game to-Mr Perris Coventry, for the borough, said it thought the foot-path and its subsoll were within august the sixth and last game to-morrow the match will be a draw and in that case Num's superior Someborn-Berger score from the Grieveson Grant British cham-pionship, tournament at Brighton last year means that he becomes British champion. its ownership and it might appeal to another tribunal for ownership. The jury returned a verdict that the coin was not treasure trove and that Mr Harlin should become

Today's engagements

Nunn makes

sure of

chess title

The Duke of Edinburgh addresses Young People and Training Conference organized by Britain's Industry training boards. National Liberal Club. I Whitehall Place, 10.30.
Chairman of the GLC attends concert at Festival Hall, 8.
Talks: Credit factoring—an aid in expansion and export?. Barclays, 68 Lombard Street. 4.36.
Patronage. by Sherban Cantacuzino, RIBA lecture, Churchill Room, London House, Mecklenburgh Square, 6.45. Carolingian and Ottotian art, by Geoffrey House, 11.30; Queen Victoria and the state portrait, by Richard Ormond, 1.15. British Museum, Picasso in the 1920s, Museum. Picasso in the 1920s, by Sarah O'Brien-Twohy, Tate Gallery, 1. Awake Sweet Love the music of John Dowland,

Music Club of London, Holborn Library, 32 Theobaid's Road. 7.30. Crown Jewels and coronotions, Conway Hail, Red Lion Square, 10. Why has Japan succeeded?, by Michlo Mori-shima, London School of Economics, Houghton Street, 5. Anglo-Saxon metalwork, by John Clark, Moseum of London, London Walk, 1.10.

Congon Walk, 1.10.

Poetry: C. H. Sisson and Robert
Wells read poetry, National
Poetry Centre, 21 Earls Court
Square, 7.30, Africa Dawn:
dramatic poetry and African
music, Africa Centre, 38 King
Street, 8.
unchrime music Street, 8.
Lunchtime music: David Owen
Norris, piano, St George's
Hanover Square, 1.10. Thames
Piano Trio, St Mary-le-Bow,
1.05. Janet Hostnick, mezzosoprano, Derek Carden, piano,
St Bartholomew-the; Great, 1.10.

vertebrates and fishes. Stamford Raffles Award : Dr E. H.

Eason, for work on taxonomy of

Thomas Henry Huxley Award: Dr A. J. Woakes, Birmingham University, for thesis, Biotelemetry and its application to the study of avian physiology.

of King's College, Taunton, for essay, observation and investiga-tion into the social behaviour of the spiny spider crab,

#### scholarly and sound bookish stock. His grandfather was Dr Richard Garnett, of the British Museum reading room, his father was Edward Garnett prince of publishers' readers, and his mother, Constance, was the translator of the great noveof nineteenth-century Russia. He was born in 1892, privately educated, and was strongly advised against literature by his father, who warned him: "Never try to write, but above all never have anything

MR DAVID GARNETT

Author of 'Lady Into Fox'

**OBITUARY** 

cately individual talent, author of Lady Into Fox and other

similarly fantastic stories, died on February 17 in France. He

David Garnett was born on March 9, 1892 and came of a

to do with publishing or the book trade". He was to go coun-

ter to all these admonitions.

First, however, he studied

botany for five years at the

Royal College of Science, pro-

duced a manual on The Kitchen Garden and Its Management, and discovered a new species of

As his three volumes of auto-biography. The Golden Echo;

much of the year in a house in the country, knew everyone of consequence in their own fields

consequence in their own fields of interest. Courad, W. H. Hudson, Ford, Cunninghame-Graham, Wells; Edward Thomas and Lawrence. Later, David Garnest became friendly with the Strachey and Stephen families and had been introduced

shom he first met to 1912 in

Bavaria where they went long mountain walks together in the

Tyrol-commemorated in his

Introduction to Lawrence's Love Among the Haystacks, which

contains a startlingly vivid per-sonal description of Lawrence. In the First World War he

served with the Friends War Victims Relief in France, where he met Francis Birrell (who

died in 1933), and later be was

a conscientious objector in Britain working on farms.

With the return of peace the

two men, trading as Birrell &

Garnett, set up a bookshop in Gerrard Street, Soho, with Ralph Wright as a partner. Not content with this initial flagrant disregard of parental advice, Garnett began to write as well.

Here, again, Edward Garnerr's

fears were to prove unfounded, for Lady into Fox, the tale of

country gentleman and the

effect upon him-upon them

both-of the pitiful metamor-

phosis of a young wife, ran through eight printings in a couple of years and won the

Hawthornden and the James Tait Black Memorial prizes. Its

successor, A Man in the Zon (1924), presented a similar order of thought and sensibility in the tale of a disgruntled lover who offered himself to

the Zoological Society—and was accepted—as a specimen of

Francia Mevnell in the cellar

of the Birrell & Garnett shop in 1923. Soon afterwards he re-tired from bookselling, and un-

tli 1932 he divided his time

between writing and advising on the literary side of the None-

such Press.

He had much of his father's

flair for a good book, and among his "finds" were James Laver and the "Mr Tootleoo" books of Bernard and Eleanor

Darwin, George Moore, whose manner, derisive and yet ami-

able, Garnett himself seemed

often to echo, was another of his introductions to the None-

such Press.
After the temporary collapse

of the fine book marker be-

tween 1929 and 1931, Garnett

devoted the whole of his work-

ing time to authorship with a plentiful play-time of travel and

the adventurous flying of his

died on February 17. He was 76.

Homo sapiens.

into the Bloomsbury circle. Garnett was a young hero-worshipper of D. H. Lawrence,

own small aeroplane in the early 1930s. For a time he became literary editor of *The* New Statesman and later, like his father before him, literary adviser to Jonathan Cape Ltd. where one of his successful discoveries was Elephant Bill. The Sailor's Return had appeared in 1925, a piquant and charming story, though with an almost disconcerting note of pathos; then Go She Must (1927), still at one remove from reality; No Love (1929) Similarly remote and a shade perverse; and The Grasshoppers Come (1931), a superb piece of description of a record-breaking flight, though shadowed by an uncertain hit of allegory.

Later work included A Rabbit in the Air, consisting of the diary he kept while learning to

fly; Pocahonus, or the Non-parell of Virginia, an accurate historical picture and a felicihistorical picture and a felicitous piece of literary art: and a
most enjoyable but teasing
blepd of fact and fiction. Beany.
Eye. Garnett served as an
intelligence officer in the Air
Ministry during the earlier
period of the Second World
War and in 1941 produced a War, and in 1941 produced a vivid and disciplined account of the first and most critical phase of the war in the air. In his later years he published several more novels, Aspects of Love: A Shot in the Dark: Ulterior Motives: and Two by Two, a retelling of the story of the Ack. None added greatly to his stature as a writer but in A Clean Slate (1971) he showed that, pearoctogenarian though he might be, he could still write with great zest of youth and fever in the blood. His desire to write novels continued well into old age and unpublished books still remain. At the time

Some years ago he published The White-Garnett Letters. These were the fruit of a correspondence extending over almost 30 years between Ger-nett and T. H. White and they gave a vivid history of an unlikely friendship.

of his death he was editing his

correspondence with Sylvia

Townsend Warner.

The year 1970 saw the publication of Carrington: Letters and Extracts from Her Dury.
These letters were selected by Garnett and he wrote an intro duction to them. A person of exceptional modesty, almost embarrassingly

iomo sapiens.

diffident with strangers, he Mesnwhile Garnett had set at was lively and delightful comnaught the third parental precept. Already bookseller and author, he became publisher as "Bunny". Tall, upright, prowell, as partner in the None-minent-lipped, eager-mannered, such Press, which was set up by in conversation he never turned his eyes, always his head. As ally strong and a very power-ful swimmer, a fact which drew much admiration from D. H. Lawrence. This did not pre-vent him from later disowning up with the preposterous sug-gestion that Garnett should give up certain friends because they didn't share Lawrence's political views. Garnett lived for many years at Hilton Hall in Huntingdonshire, occasion-ally in a converted barge and He married first Rachel Alice .

Marshall who provided the very fetching engravings for Lads Into Fox and other books. They had two sons. She died in 1940, and in 1942 he marrier Angelica Bell, daughter of Clive Bell; of their four daugh ters three survive.

#### MR J. D. COWEN

Of Northumbrian stock, John Cowen was born on November 16, 1904 and spent his boyhood years in the country near Newcastle. He was a scholar at Rugby and then at Hertford College, Oxford, again as a scholar, from 1924 to 1928, gaining a second in Greats. He took law finals with honours in 1931, joining Barclays in the same year. He quickly became manager at Darlington, and in the postwar period moved to London to become in turn general manager (staff) 1948-49 and general manager 1950-65. A Territorial soldier, he joined the Northumberland

Hussars Yeomanry in 1929 and saw distinguished service as a tank officer in the Second World War; he served in North Africa, Sicily. France and Germany with the rank of major, was mentioned in dispatches and awarded the MC. The blend of businessman and man of action is not un-common, but was varied in

Cowen's case by a passionate devotion to archaeology. He was fascinated by prehistoric weapons, especially the swords of the Bronze Age and their Con-tinental origins. His bachelor days were devoted to the museum of the Society of Antiquaries of Newcastle upon Tyne, then housed in the Black Gate. He published many of its notable antiquities and on London trips established close contacts at the British Museum with T.D. (later Sir Thomas) Kendrick and Christopher (now Professor) Hawkes.

With marriage to Rhoda Harris in 1944 and promotion in the hank, he moved to London and quickly entered a

Mr John David Cowen, MC, wider antiquarian sphere. Hillings the Society of Antiquaries a early as 1934, and his special talents led to service on the finance committee from 195 to 1964 and as treasurer from 1964 to 1971, when he intriduced a professional touch. the society's increasing wealth He served on council in 192

and 1963-64, and was elected vice-president in 1971. He als achieved the rare distinction becoming an honorary Fellow the Society of Antiquaries Scotland. He was a member the Standing Commission Museums and Galleries (196 73). a governor of the Museu ( of London (1965-67), preside (); of the Prehistoric Socie (1966-70), president of the Socie iety of Antiquaries of Newcast upon Tyne (1966-68), and He DCL (Durham). He delighted in contacts foreign scholars and travelle. " ...

widely in Europe, always wi ... his eyes alert for clues to r'origins and variations in L. prehistoric bronze swords which he delighted. The resu of his researches were at lished both in Britain and G many and he was an honora member of the German Archi ological Institute. Upon retit ment he settled in a delightf. Corswold house at Bisley a it was hoped that much of i earlier work would achie a publication. But his later year were cruelly dogged by health and these ambitio were unhappily not realized.

outstanding Polish sportsman 4, his day has died in Warsan !: the age of 84. He represent the age of 84. He represent the Poland in association forms that track and field events. last the second events. He had the second events and events the second events. the age of 84. He represent Poland in assuciant rack and field events, in tennis and skating. He has national records for many the

Professor Waclaw Ruchar, t. ...

Marriages Mr C. S. O'N. Wallis and Miss C. D. Lewes

The marriage took place on Wednesday, February 4, 1981, in St Andrew's, Hongkong, between Mr Shaun Wallis and Miss Catherine

Lewes.
Dr P. White
and Mrs E. A. Johnson
The marriage took place quietly
on February 7, 1981, between Dr
Peter White, of Perrotts Brook,
Cirencester, Gloucestershire, and
Mrs Elisabeth Anne Johnson, of
Westcott, Dorking, Surrey.

#### Luncheon

Institution of Civil Engineers The President of the Institution of Civil Engineers, Mr P. A. Cox, entertained Sir Keith Joseph, MP,

entertained Sir Keith Joseph, Mist luncheon on Monday. Als present were:

Mr Michael Marshall Parliamenta of Inder-Secretary of Siete. Department of Inder-Secretary with C. Leeming, under secretary with C. Sell, personal assistant of the Melh. Joseph. M. J. Reith Joseph. Mr. Campbol medical and Mr. R. Campbol medical.

Reception Dominican Ambassador

The Dominican Ambassador gave a reception yesterday evening at 62D Princa's Gate, SW7. to bid farewell to HM Ambassador-designate to Brazil, Mr G. W. Harding, and Mrs Harding.

Service dinners The Queen's Flight

The Prince of Wales was the guest The Prince of Wales was the guest of honour at a dinner given by the Queen's Flight at RAF Benson last night. The captain of the Queen's Flight, Air Commodore Sir Archie Winskill, presided.

over is announced Sir Rex Richards, Vice-Chancellot of Oxford University, and Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Beetham, Chief of the Air Staff, were the guests of honour at the annual dinner of the Oxford University Air Squadron held last night at the squadron's head-quarters, Manor Road. The commanding officer, Squadron Leader

manning attnerer, Squadron Leader H. G. Harvey, presided. Other guests included: The AOGINC RAF Support Command. the AOG and Commandant RAFG Granwell, the Dogan of Christ Church, the Warden of Koble College, the Viccolleater of St Cetherine's College, the Master of St Benefis Half and the Director of the Oxford Polyfechnic.

of Kingswood, Surrey, and Judithand, second daughter of Major and Mrs P. H. Bartiett, of Wood Edge, Wherwell, Hampshire.

Mr D. E. Thomas and Miss R. Toye
The engagement is announced between David, elder son of Drand Mrs I. Brace Thomas, of Prestbury, Cheitenham, and Rosemary, elder, daughter of Drand Mrs D. K. M. Toye, of Edgbaston, Birmingham. Dinner.

London House Sir John Wilton, Director of London House, and Lady Wilton, governors and staff, gave a dinner last night at London House for residents overseas and United Kingdom students of arts faculties. Lord Seebolm was in the chair and Mr. Robert Rhodes James, MP, was the principal

Venezuela visit

The Prince of Wales, president of the International Council of the United World Colleges, will visit Venezuela from April 28 to 30 in connexion with the projected Simon Bolivar United World College of Agriculture.

Cathedral appeal

A £500.000 appeal was launched yesterday for the upkeep of the Anglican Cathedral in Liverpool, which will not be declared com-plete for another week. The cathedral was officially opened in 1978, but about £190,000 is needed for essential repairs and the building fund is \$250,000 in deficit.

#### Science report

#### Immunology: Lamarck evoked again new generic material might be in- two strains simultaneously. Toler

Two immunologists who last year challenged the established principles of inheritance have pro-duced further evidence which they say supports the possibility that acquired characteristics can be passed from parents to offspring, a concept little favoured by modern biologists. Dr R. M. Gorczynski, of the Ontario Cancer Little and Dr F. I. Steele Institute, and Dr E. J. Steele, working temporarily at the Climical Research Centre in Harrow, base their conclusions on an extension of their previous work, from which they reported that mice treated so as not to reject tissue from unrelated mice could pass that tolerance on to some of their offspring. The earlier work revived a

theory originally put forward in the eighteenth century by Lamarck. to explain how animals evolved to be so well adapted to their enronment. His solution was that they acquired useful characteris-tics and passed them on to the hext generation.

Lamarck's ideas largely fell into

disrepute as the biological process of inheritance came to be understood. However, some scientists are beginning to look again at those ideas, as recent developments in molecular biology have made it possible to imagine how

is happening.
Other immunologists are scep-

tical, and several groups are try-ing to repeat the work, so far apparently without success, at the same time as Dr Gorczynski and Dr Steele report their new results.
The starting point for the work has been a routine procedure by which mice of one inbred strain (called for convenience strain A) can be made tolerant to grafts from mice of a second inbred strain (called B) if injected from birth with cells from strain B. Last year the two immunologists mated male mice of strain A made tolerant to B with untreated fe-male mice of strain A, and re-ported that a proportion of the first and second generation off-spring were tolerant to B. They used non-tolerant females to en-sure that if tolerance passed to the offspring, it could do so only through the genes and not through some other maternal influence.

new genetic material might be incorporated into the genes of the germ cells—the sperm and eggs. Dr Gorczynski and Dr Steele do not know whether such a process could transmit immunological tolerance from parents to offspring, but they believe they have evidence that something of the sort is bannering. In the parents are two strains simultaneously, 10lerance to both strains turned up to both strains simultaneously, 10lerance to both strains turned up the first and second generation offspring, apparently acquired from the parents. Dr Gorczynski and Dr Steele see such a pattern at further support for their claim to have demonstrated the inheritance of acquired characteristics.

habilitated.

pected to report soon.

& Nature-Times News Service.

From The Times of Saturday, Feb 18, 1956 Scott relics found

In both sets of experiments they demonstrated tolerance in the offspring by a standard laboratory procedure based on the interaction of blood cells. Normally blood cells of strain A kill those of strain B, but not if A is toler-ant to B. So far they have not completed tests of the offspring for tolerance by attempting to graft skin between strains; that, they say, is in procress. At least one other team has also been making the attempt, and can be ex-Whether or not others can repeat the work of Dr Gorczynski and Dr Steele will be crucial to the future of their claim that

to Lyttelton, is arranging to send the relics to the Scott Polar Research Institute at Cambridge. Three Norwegian type sledges, a harpoon, a reindeer skin sleeping bag, canned food including eggs, and cocoa are included in the and cocoa are included in the relics brought back on board the icebreaker Glacier. Most of the food and other zear was found outside huts at Cape Royds in the Ross Sea. Canned strawberries served to officers in the Glacier met with approval. Corned heef, because others and canned acquired characteristics can be inmet with approval. Corned neet, biscuits, stew, cheese and canned milk were also included. Before being sent to Dr Colin Bertram, director of the Scott Institute at Cambridge, the relics will be exhibited to assist an appeal for funds for the New Zealand Antarctic expedition next summer.

—Romer. herited. But so far it cannot be said that Lamarck has been re-Source: Nature (February 19, vol. 289, page 678) 1981.

#### University news Cambridge .

Wellington (NZ), Feb 17.— Equipment used by Captain Scott and Sir Ernest Shackleton and lood which retains its flavour after more than 40 years in the Antarc-S. R. Tromans. RA.

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UMIST: Honorary fellowships are to be awarded to Daley Thompson, Olympic decathlere and gold medallist, Mr. Jack Ashley.

MP for Stoke-on-Trent. Miss Clare Francis, the yachtswoman. Sir Ronald Ellis, governor of UMIST. Dr. Frank Robinson, former director of Twyford Laboratories, and Dr. Herchel Smith, one of the scientists mainly responsible for the birth control pill. tic were brought back to New Zea-land today. Lieutenant: Commander Michael Foster, the Royal Navy observer with the American Antarctic party which has returned Zoological Society awards for 1980 The following awards have been made by the Zoological Society of London for contributions to zoo-Longor, for Contributions to 200-logy in 1980: Scientific Medal: Dr J. M. Elliott, Freshwater Biological Association, Ambleside, for work on ecology of benthic stream in-

#### Latest wills

Mr Georgina Grace Ida Cole, of Flect, Hampshire, left estate valued at E208,956 net. After he-quests of £1,250 and effects she quests of El.250 and effects she left the residue equally between the Distressed Gentlefolk's Aid Association: the Donkey Sanctuary, Salcombe Regis; The Dog's Home, Battersea; Wood Green Animal Shelter; the RSPB: the League of Friends of Winchfield and Odiham Hospital and the National Society for Mentally Handicapped Children.

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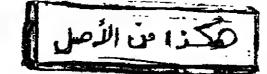
Mr Philip Cecij Attenborough, of Frinton-on-Sea, Essex, left estate valued at £100,238 net and Mrs Vera Mountjoy Attenborough, his wife, left estate valued at £82,414 net. As neither survived the other by 28 days they both left their estates equally between the British Heart Foundation and the Imperial 'Cancer Research Fund. Other estates include fnet, be-

Bovill, Mrs Miriam Barnard, 

of axian physiology.

Zoological Society of London
Frink Medal for British Zoologists: Professor W. H. Thorpe,
FRS, Cambridge University, for
work on natural history and behaviour of animals.
Prince Philip Prize: James Burton,
of King's College Taylogo for

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#### Prudence Glynn

## How to get in touch with a favourite aunt



Everybody can have an aunt if they put their mind to it. True the connexion can sometimes be tenuous—"I can never remember if she's tenuous—"I can never remember if she's first or second times removed"—removed whence? we shuddered as children, or it might be better left unclarified to the well-pricked ear the latter situation is immediately discernible by the use of the hesitant "er" and an unwarranted emphasis on the word "aunt" when performing the introduction. "Darling, you remember Uncle Jack and, er, Aunt Fifi, don't you?" In extreme cases "er" and "aunt" may be pronounced with a tiny pursing of the lips.

Even more people have sunties, without putting their minds to it at all, but for the purposes of this study sunties do not really count. If one dares breathe the thought in these egalitarian days, there exists a social chasm between aunts and aunties, just the same sort of social nicety which divides Grannies from Grans.

) GARARD

On the whole, aunts have had a good press through the years in fact and fiction. Indeed, at the founding of Universal Aunts in 1921; The Times was moved to a positive paean on behalf of this regiment of women.

After sternly pointing out that some After stermy pointing our that some people never consult a dictionary. A Correspondent proceeds to consult one which defines aunt as "any benevolent, practical woman who exercises these qualities to the benefit of circle of aquaintances". It seems perty-minded to appear the Consideration of the conside opint out that my dictionary, the Concise Oxford one, commits itself to no more than "Father's or mother's sister; uncle's wife; A. Sally, game at fairs in which players throw sticks... at wooden woman's head".

Correspondent strikes again. Having looked up aunthood he reveals a quotation from a Miss Muloch, author of Dom. Stories 373 which say: "This sort of uni-versal aunthood to the whole neighbourhood was by no means disagreeable to Miss Milly". My dictionary is silent about aunthood. No lesser writers than Charles Dickens approved of aunts and Mrs Stowe (Harrier Beecher, presumably, since this was written in 1961) averred that: "Thesa universally useful persons receive among us the title of aunt by a sort of general consent. . . They are nobody's aunts in particular, but are aunts to human nature

in general".

Readers will be entitled to assume that not only are aunts a declining species but that gallantry is gone when I mention that A Correspondent, obviously by now quite carried away, safe in his cloak of anonymity, is moved to conclude his tribute with a self-composed poem which gives one hope for Burns, or at any rate for Pam Ayres to become Poet Laureate: also that the only quartices I can find about aware the only quotations I can find about aunts are frivolous. There is Kipling: "Father,

The Times Cook

and Mother, and Me, Sister and Auntie say All the people like us are We, And everyone else is They". Who would have thought old Rudyard was the progenitor of the Them and Us society? Now you see what I meant in paragraph two. The Pobble had an suot who made him drink lavender water tinged with pink, but is redeemed by having a Runcible Cat with crimson whiskers. Graham Greene wrote about Aunt Augusta and learned many useful facts of life travelling with her.

What of course has happened to aunts is that they have changed along with the society from which they sprang. It is the underlying strength and the cause of their continued success that the organization

continued success that the organization known to the world as Universal Aunts has changed with the times too.

It was the First World War which cata-pulted the second sex into the twentieth century. Overnight, by need or blessed excuse they escaped from the frowsty laurel shrubberies of Edgbaston and a life as hypocritical as it was frustrating. They ran things, they drove things, they nursed and they made the weapons of war. Nothing could ever be the same again. When the war ended not only did they achieve a modest enfranchizement, but they con-tinued to help out the depleted and exhausted menfolk who came back. Thus it was that in 1921 Miss Gertrude Maclean, beautiful, aristocratic, privileged and at 32 the archtypal maiden aunt who had chaperoned countiess nephews and nieces was regretting the return of many parents from the now less far-flung outposts of Empire and at the same time the dearth of actual relations now available to buy the school clothes and take out to tea and keep the little darlings out of the hands of the white-slavers, twixt Waterloo and Kings Cross.

to become herself a Universal Aunt and so she did, starting out in a room in Sloane Street which was not available after luncheon, at which time business was transferred to the Banking Hall at Harrods. In 1923 UA became a private limited

liability company.

Professor J. K. Galbraith has said that the very first manifestation of the classless society is the disappearance of the servant class. Again this change in society pre-dates many casual estimates, for it was in full swing well before the war.

The real change, of course, was in who now had the money and who had not, which represented a sharp about face which the souts were quick and discreet to capitalize on. Women with innate good taste, social entree, a fine appreciation of good food and wine, a flair with decoration or flowers, those who knew their way among the pitfalls of etiquette, all found

since they also often found themselves in straightened circumstances yet did not want to work full-time or permanently for

one person, this pro-am arrangement suited everybody. Debs were launched, knives and forks explained, the whole fabric of social life carried on.

After the war activity increased with an influx of new money, often from overseas. Although the Meetings Department remains the largest (will the white slavers never give up?) modern life calls for Universal Uncles, too.

The uncles do not cook, which seems a pixy since men are often so good in the

pity since men are often so good in the kitchen, but they drive, they do the immensely busy visa and passport section of UA which helps out-of-town firms who have to send many representatives abroad They do "mild" tutoring, and keep Jonely

children company.

After the meetings comes the employ ment. Does anybody want to be permanent these days? No, it seems. "Women prefer the flexibility of a few weeks here, or there. They want somewhere of their own to go back to, they do not want to commit themselves", says Mrs Herbert Hunting, one of the co-managing directors. What struck me ebout UA was that while it is to all intents and purposes an agency, they do seem to take so much trouble to put round pegs in round holes. "We had to be very careful, when all the girls stopped doing flowers and started cooking, that they were capable."

Actually, I have always thought that going out to help at parties was a very cunning way to get to meet eligible men and, rather like flying on Concorde, a good investment if you want to fly into the arms of the chairman of the board without having to scramble through the typing

It has been the working policy of Miss Margaret Fry, who has served 21 years with the aunts and is now their chairman, keep in touch with topical needs, and the needs of the future, not the past."
Admirable as a formula, and put into practice, wis the newest department which can advise on compensation claims which result from the death or incapacitation of parent the subsequent need to provide alternative care, and the cost thereof.

I make absolutely no excuses for repeating perhaps the most famous story concerning UA because up until now I have never been quite convinced of the out-come. It seems that a dying wish bequesthed the aimts was that the ashes be scattered into the English Channel. clasping the arn, the amet on duty took a raxi from the local station to Beachy Head. There, the force of the wind was such that the driver had to prevent her from being blown away. Ah, but which way? Inland, or over the chiff? You do see that it makes a difference. One way, the hoped-for briny; the other, a last resting place in the eyebrows of a taxi driver, or somewhere north of Watford. How could I have doubted an aunt. She was firmly moored upwind of the target !

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And upon reading the Order 19 wind upon the said Company dated the 22nd October 1979 the two Records of the Assistant Official Receiver as to the results of the MEETINGS of CREDITORS under CONTRIBUTORIES of the Said Company made to the Court and both fluid the 5th Annuary for the 1970 that is to the first of bower of the Liquidator appointed) filed this herdinafter appointed, it is ordered that PHILIP JCHN EMERICN of Storing House, High Street, Lane End. High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire, Chartered Account to and his is hereby appointed LOUIDATOR of the said Company. And it is ordered that the said. the Companies was a larger to be and notice of this Order is to be secreted and advortised in the Times. Newspaper once.

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Registrar

K & M COMMERCIAL AND PRIVATE MOTOR SERVICES Limited. Notice is needy given consistent of section 1999. The consistent of M. HOWARD, Director & Secretary.

Limited. Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 2:25 of THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948, that a MEETING of the CREDITORS of the above named Company will be held at the offices of Leonard Curtis & Co., sikualed at 5/4 Bentinck Street. Lendon WIA 58A, on Friday the 20th day of February 1981 at 3.30 o'clock on the afternoon, for the purpose provided for h Sections 294 and 2.5.

Dated the 4th day of February 1981,

Ja McINTYRE,

J. McINTYRE, Director

#### Umost anything edible can be nade into soup, and someone, omewhere, has surely done so. oup and bread, in one form r another, have sustained much f humanity since fire and cook-ng pots were first combined. Even before pots, animals could be boiled after a fashion by ropping a carcass into a water-illed trench and heaving hot

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Crawford Poole

tones in around it. What the arrival of vessels hat could be set over a fire lade possible was combinations of cereals, pulses, roots and saves with all manner of flesh. he soups we make now are but efined and deliberate versions f the catch-all sustenance of legumes. Rinse the pan and return the soup to it. Season it the put together only what they

ould grow or garner.
Not all the classic soups reeal their sources as readily as couch broth, borsch, or mines-rone, though you could cer-ainly tell the climate, if not he country from a list of in-

redients. I do think that deep bowls

hot to the last, not catching cold in an open plate. Crisp fried croutons, dumplings and assorted garnishes are optional embellishments. Good crusty bread is essential.

Cream of flageolet soup

Serves six 170g (60z) dried flageolet beans 55g (20z) butter

L large onion, finely chopped i leek, finely chopped. 1.2 litres (2 pints) chicken stock Salt and freshly ground black

150ml (1 pint) single cream

2 tablespoons chopped chives or spring onion tops Rinse the beans and soak them in cold water for at least four hours, or overnight Melt the butter in a heavy pan and add the chopped onion and leek. Cook them gently on a low heat until they are soft but not browned. Drain and rinse the beans and add them to the pan with the stock. Bring

the soup to the boil and simmer ir, covered, for about an hour, or until the beans are tender. Puree the soup in a food pro-cessor or blender, or by passing it through a sieve or mouli ground black pepper and

reheat. Serve the soup very hot with a swirl of cream and a sprink-ling of chopped chives in each

The Scandinavians seem to do the most miraculous things with the most ordinary of fish.

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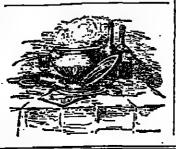
by use fennel (buy a bulb of florentine fennel with plenty of feathery green leaves on it) or

Mackerel Soup Serves six 680g (1½1b) mackerel, cleaned 30g (loz) fresh dill or parsley, or { a small fennel bulb with

all its leaves 150ml (4 pint) single cream Juice of 1 lemon Sait and freshly ground black pepper to taste

egg yolks Cut the heads off the fish, rinse them in cold water and cut them in 2.5cm (1 inch) slices. Put the fish in a pan with slices. Put the fish in a pan with
1.5 litres (3 pints) water. Reserve one tablespoon of finely
chopped dill, parsley or femnel
leaves for the garnish and add
the remainder, coarsely
chopped, to the pan. Bring to
the boil, lower the heat, cover
and simmer for about 10
minutes

minutes.
Strain the stock into a clean saucepan and stir in half the saucepan and sur in hair the cream and all lemon juice. Remove and discard the skin and bones of the fish and add it to the pan. Season well with



A bowl of soup, a crusty bread ... are a necessity for substantial Their pickled herrings are justly salt and freshly ground black soups. If you are going to make a meal of soup it should be mackerel is made much of. If boil and remove it from the hot to the last, not catching fresh dill is not easy to come heat immediately. Mix the remaining cream with the egg yolks and stir it into

the soup to thicken it. Serve immediately sprinkled with the remaining herbs and without reheating. Chicken soup with rice Serves four

55g (2oz) butter

chicken livers, roughly chopped I large onion, finely chopped 900ml (1½ pints) good chicken stock

110g (40z) long grain rice 110g (40z) cooked chicken Salt and freshly ground black pepper tablespoons chopped parsley

Melt the butter in a large par

and when it is foaming, add the chicken livers and cook them intil they are just firm and each piece is still a little pink in the middle. Remove the chicken livers and set them aside. Add the onions to the pan and fry them until they are soft, but not brown. Add the soft, but not brown. Add the stock and bring the soup to the boil. Throw in the rice, cover and simmer it for 20 minutes, or until the rice is very tender. Add the diced chicken and chicken livers and season to taste with salt and freshly ground black pepper. Reheat and stir in the parsley at the last moment, giving it just

serving. On Saturday in her Shopping column, Beryl Downing looks at soup tureens.

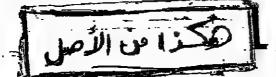
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#### IN BRIEF

#### European trade warning to Japan

A European delegation has warned Japan to restrain its exports to western Europe, or face the consequences,

"The time for discussion has ended. Urgent decisions are needed to restrain Japanese ex-ports to Europe , Sir Fred Warner the former British am-bassador to Japan, said in

Sir Fred led a 17-member delegation during two days of delegation during two days of talk in Japan.
Without urgent action, west-crn European public opinion-would demand strong measures-to safeguard its industries, he

Japan would have to decide whether to open up its markets to EEC imports as well as re-surin exports to Europe. Meanwhile, Japan is seeking

assurances from the Community-that its import monitoring system will still allow Japanese goods to flow freely into West-ern Europe.

#### Merseyside work plan

Merseyside County Council is seeking approval to establish its own company, Merseyside Limited, the first project of its kind in the United Kingdom, to aid the growing number of unemployed teenagers in the

#### Birmid profits slide

Birmid Qualcast, the country's argest independent foundry troup with interests in central leating and lawnmowers, sufrom £6.4m to £225,000. Sales ell from £216m to £210m in year to October 31 and the inal dividend has been passed. Financial Editor, page 21

**Cextile earnings drop** United Kingdom wool textile export earnings last year were 407.8m, a fall of £1.1m on 979. The National Wool Textile export Corporation said that out for the high sterling expanses are exported would hange rate, exports would lave been considerably larger sarticularly to the Far East and

iorth America. Lar jobs warning

Mr Robert Jackson, Member the European Parliament for oper Thames, told Japanese overnment ministers in Tokyo hat a 1 per cent increase in he market share for Japanese ars cost at least 30,000 jobs in uropean motor manufacturing. Expansion plans, page 20

#### Limbabwe mine

Wankie Colliery, part of the toglo American group, is to levelop a new coal mine at Vankie in Zimbabwe. The mine vill produce 3.9 million tonnes oal a year and cost Z\$128m

#### **Suilders' supplies**

Merchant builders' sales fell y 18 per cent in December in omparison to December 1979.
Just the sales were an improvement on the previous month's eturns which showed trading o be down by nearly 24 per

#### Wall Street higher

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The Dow Jones industrial verage closed at 947.10, up 42 on Wall Street yesterday. he 5=SDR exchange rate was 22638 while the £=SDR rate

## Rise in average earnings slows to less than 10 pc in a year in the three months to Decem-ber. The Retail Prices Index

With only 10 per cent of the 21 million workers covered by

the earnings index settling in the pay round before Christmas, the Department of Employment expects the annual increase in the index to start falling more rapidly.

falling more rapidly as the "settlement season" gets underway. Relatively low pay settlements will then feed into

the index at the same time as relatively high ones—such as the comparability awards for public service workers—drop

A further fall in overtime in December, down 0.4 million hours from November to 8.2 million hours a week, had less

impact on earnings than lower pay settlements. Short-time

working was unchanged at 7.4 million hours lost a week

The CBI's survey—which covers 750,000 employees in manufacturing industry—found that the depressed state of company finances and fears of

redundancy were the most im-

portant factors influencing low pay settlements, outweighing the presure for rises to com-pensate for inflation. Other evidence shows a large

variation in recent pay settle-ments—from 5 to 15 per cent— depending on how badly com-panies have been hit by reces-

According to the February report from Incomes Data Ser-

vices, most manufacturing set-

By Frances Williams
Earnings are rising, on average, at less than 10 per cent a rose at an annual rate of 8.2 year, half the rate of increase of a few months ago.

Department of Employment With only 10 per cent of the 21 million workers covered by figures published yesterday show that the rise in average earnings slowed in December

Over the year the underlying increase was about 18.5 percent, down from 21.5 per cent But in the three months to December, the underlying rise in earnings averaged 0.75 per cent a month, equivalent to so assual rate of 9.5 per cent, half the rate of increase in the

previous three months.

Official figures are backed up by the latest results from the Confederation of British Indus-try's pay databank, also pub-lished yesterday. These show that two-thirds of more than 150 notified settlements in manufacturing industry in December and January were in single figures, with the average around between 8 and 9 per cept. This compares with an average of 16 per cent in July and more than 13 per cent in

August.

The index of average earnings for December was distorted by large amounts of back pay for some 600,000 local authority workers who white collar workers, who received a 13 per cent pay rise backdated to last July. As a result, the index rose sharply to stand 19.4 per cent higher than a year previously, compared with 18.9 in the year to November.

An underlying rate of increase, in earnings of 9.5 per cent means that pay is now only just keeping pace with inflation and the increasing burden of income tax and national insurance contributions. The tax and price index, which combines the rise in retail

prices and taxes on income rose at an annual rate of 9.4 per cent

Dollar loses

If the Germans raise their

Lombard rate, at present 9 per cent, some other countries. within the European Monetary

System may follow suit in a general attempt to narrow the

differential between interest

rates in Europe and those in

The one major exception to such a trend would be the United Kingdom, where official

interest rates are expected to come down in next month's Budget—though a minority mar-ket view still feels that a reduc-

tion could come before then.

As a result enough sterling was available for sale against most continental currencies yesterday, though it recovered from a "low" of DM 4.91 to show a net fall of only 12 pfennigs against the German cur-

Against the dollar, sterling gained 25 points to \$2,2665, after briefly rising above the \$2.28 level.

In domestic financial markets

the "make-up" day for the February banking month passed without problems. There was a moderate surplus of funds moving from the Exchequer to the markets and short-term interest

the United States.

rency at DM 4.96.

ground

#### Approval sought for £739m extra spending

The request for £739m arises The request for 1739m arises from 55 separate supplementary estimates, But, with the exception of a £176m further provision for the Temporary Short Time Working Scheme, the additional public expenditure was included in the forecast of higher spending made by Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chancellor, during his November mini-

He admitted then that the volume of expenditure in 1980-1981 would be some 11 per cent righer than originally thought. The Spring Supplementary Estimates are the third and last of the annual supplementaries. These three have added almost £4,500m to the original esti-mates for 1980-81 laid before Parliament last March (includ-ing the £1,280m involved in the transfer of BL shares). Thus the original estimates were £64,612m, and the year's total estimates come to £69,087m.

However, there is normally underspending of money

tlements have been in single figures. But settlements in the oil industry and insurance, for example, are running closer to Nevertheless, the general trend in earnings so far sug-gests that the Government's forecast, made last November, for a 10 per cent rise in earn-ings in this pay round, remains

The Government yesterday sought Parliament's approval for an extra 1739m cash for public expenditure programmes. The request for extra spending came in the Spring Supplementary

In total, the new estimates amounted to £2,019m. However, £1,280m of this related to the transfer of BL shares from the National Enterprise Board to the Secretary of State for In-dustry. This is essentially a bookkeeping transaction and gives rise to no net charge on the Consolidated Fund or public

Budget.

voted by Parliament. In recent years this underspending has amounted to about £1,000m.

Some £395m of the supple mentary estimates sought yes-terday were for items covered by cash limits. Defence spending accounted for by far the largest breach of cash limits. There were just four other small breaches, totalling just under fam. The defence cash limit is your expected to be limit is now expected to be overspent by some £260m.

## Banks refuse to raise 8.5pc clerical pay offer

against mark Financial Correspondent

The Deutsche mark regained further ground against the dollar yesterday as speculation rose that the Federal Bank council would announce a rise in official West German interest At the close, the dollar was down a further 1.2 prennigs at DM 2.1865, having rallied from an early fall to around DM 2.1850.

Insurance and Finance Union (Bifu) which represents about 70,000 staff, said negotiations had broken down and there would be no further meetings unless the employers indicated that further money was avail-

Its leaders will now get the views of members on whether there is support for industrial action, and will consider in the next few weeks whether to hold a full ballot of the membership for industrial action, which is necessary under union rules.

The Clearing Bank Union, the other main union in the indus-

try, which has about 90,000 members, met employers in separate talks and expressed anger at the "denigrating" manner in which their arguments for an improvement in the offer had been treated.

The CBU, which was formed by the amalgamation of the

staff associations at Barclays, National Westiminster and Lloyds banks, has a moderate membership, but Mr Jack Britz, the general secretary, said last night that he was sure there would be calls for industrial action from some members.
Unlike Bifu, the Confederation of British Industry is expecting to have further talks.

had heard nothing at this stage to make it change its offer of

expecting to have further talks.

with the employers early next
month.

Both unions apparently argued that the banks could afford to meet their respective claims in full The CBU is seeking a cost of living increase,

8.5 per cent?

Under the offer, the starting salary for grade two employees, the category into which most cashiers fall, would rise from £2.958 to £3.209, and the salary of a senior cashier would go up from £4.952 to £5,373.

# Tighter surveillance of BL spending By Edward Townsend The Government is tightening its hold on the running of BL It is ordering the car group to seek formal government in the company to submit reports giving financial details. BL would be treated like the surgement strategy. "We would prefer to leave the BL board to make decisions on whether, what and when to sell any of the assets; these decisions are at the centre of management strategy." Sir Keith told the committee the BL board to make decisions on whether, what and when to sell any of the assets; these decisions are at the centre of management strategy."

approval for any project cost-ing more than £25m and to submir monthly progress eports.
This arrangement will start

Ins arrangement will starr at the end of March, when ownership of the company is transferred from the National Enterprise Board to the Depart-ment of Industry.

BL, which has been promised an additional £990m of state

the Post Office.

The £25m limit on capital

aid over the next two years, will have to submit its monthly reports to the Department of Industry and the Treasury.

Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Industry, told MPs

yesterday that BL would be subject to a memorandum of understanding which would ob-lige the company to submit re-ports giving financial details. BL would be treated like the British Steel Corporation and

The f25m limit on capital projects was being included because the Government wanted to retain the right to veto spending if the reports showed only a "marginal hope" of the company moving ahead.

Sir Keith, giving evidence to the Commons Industry and Trade Committee, said that as banker and shareholders' representative, the industry department had the right to refuse BL additional funds and to change the management.

management strategy".

During the second reading of noting the second reading of the Industry Bill it was announced that £2,900m (and ultimately £3,250m) was earmarked for BL. This included the £990m recently approved but also covered the company's external financing from private sources and was intended to cover BL's total funding for the next five years. next five years.

The company's latest corporate plan calls for a further tranche of £150m from public funds in 1983 and 1984 but this

profits, the private sector and through collaboration deals with other companies. But there were grounds for scepricism and BL was operating in "an immensely tough market".

Asked to justify the £990m aid, which will be given to BL in the form of new equity, Sir Keith said that while the Government was impressed by the success of the Mini-Metro, it was "appalled" at the cost to the taxpayer, However, productivity had improved and industrial relations were far better than in the past.

Rates rises

may force

Companies are faced with closure and redundancies be-

cause of the proposed large increases in local authority rates, Mr Bryan Rigby, the deputy director general of the Confederation of British Indus-

We recognize that the change from rate support grant

to block grant means that some

authorities will receive less money than they had expected

and may have to raise their rates. But this does not explain

why some areas such as Hack-ney are apparently looking for increases of 70 per cent. Rates

are increasing out of all pro-portion to companies' ability to pay", he said.

companies

to close?

By Patricia Tisdail

try said yesterday.

Americans face 'rough medicine' of spending cuts

#### Reagan policy aims for fourfold jump in economic growth in 1982

From Frank Vogl Washington, Feb 18 The White House is urging the Federal Reserve Board to adopt still tighter money policies. At the same time, the

policies. At the same time, the administration's economists expect sharp reductions in interest rates this year.

Dr. Murray Wiedenbaum, chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers, and the White House's chief economist said that President Reagan's programme would "dramatically" alter expectations about future inflation.

As hopes rose of a cut in

As hopes rose of a cut in inflation rates, so there would be "very substantial reductions" in interest rates.

Dr Wiedenbaum said: "We will expand the economy far

more rapidly than has been historically possible, because of our supply-side approach." The Americans hope that tax cuts and other incentives will boost the supply of goods and services and thus stimulate

He said the new programme should secure 4.2 per cent real economic growth next year, after a 1.1 per cent rise this year and that real gross national product would then increase by 5 per cent in 1983, 4.5 per cent in 1984, 4.2 per cent in 1985 and 4.2 per cent in 1986.

By Hugh Noves
Parliamentary Correspondent
Mr Ian MacGregor, chairman
of the British Steel Corporation,

will personally investigate any allegations of unfair pricing by

the corporation that could

endanger the future of private, steel companies.

Mr Norman Tebbit, Minister of State for Industry, an nounced this pledge in the

Commons last night during the

second reading debate of the Iron and Steel (Borrowing

Powers) Bill, as he struggled to reassure anxious Conserva-tive MPs concerned that the

huge sums of government money being provided for the corporation could force private

companies either to shut down

of to declare redundanties because of unfair practices by the public sector.

Closure fight: Shop stewards at Firth Brown, the Sheffield steel

and engineering company, yes-ferday vowed to fight the deci-sion to dismiss 1,250 workers,

bout one third of the labour

'unfair' steel prices

policies to halve the 1980 rate of growth in money supply by

Officials said that expecta-tions were crucial to the success of the programme and to the attainment of both high economic growth and low in-

One observer described the programme as "a high wire act where a great deal can go wrong ".

Financial markets are likely to take a similar view, and they are unlikely to become much more bullish as a result of today's announcements.

America is facing intense European pressure to reduce interest rates, but officials said that today's programme was likely to be viewed as a good response as the decline in inflation expectations would lead swiftly to lower United States rates

This would promote greater stability in currency markets, officials said.

The White House has committed itself to work closely with other industrial countries to secure consistent international economic policies. These would help promote price and reduce protectionist pres-Dr Wiedenbaum said: "This

in 1985 and 4.2 per cent in 1986.

The rate of consumer price increases would decline next year to 8.3 per cent from 11.1 designed to break away from the standard stop and go 6.2 per cent in 1983, 5.5 per cent in 1984, 4.7 per cent in 1985 and 4.2 per cent in 1986.

Mr Reagan's programme specifically calls for tight many years—we are talking policy arena.

means work sharing, redeployment and further short-time

working in an attempt to save the jobs of our members".

Purther talks are planned with company executives, but

the shop stewards' committee

well organize a meeting of the 4,300 workers if those talks fail to make progress.

The company blamed falling

orders, rising energy costs, increased rates and the strong sound for the decision to shed the jobs.

Companies threatened: Further subsidies to the British Steel

Corporation could destroy the

independent sector of the steel industry, Mr Walter Goldsmith director general of the Institute of Directors last night (Peter

Hill writes).
In a statement issued as the

Commons debated the Govern-ment's Bill which will reise the

BSC's borrowing ceiling to £6,000m, Mr Goldsmith said that subsidizing private com-

panies which were being forced out of business by unfair, taxpayer-financed compenition from the BSC was no solution

to the industry's problems.

"It will be a disaster if the taxpayer ended up by supporting both the public and private sectors of the industry in a battle royal of subsidized competition. It would amount to back door nationalization by a Conservative government", he

Conservative government", he

to the industry's problems.

can economic policies."

He said 1981 was going to be the year when Americans have to take the "rough medicine" of public spending cuts and tight money policies which would not be accompanied by

rapid economic growth.

But as the tax cuts went
ahead and the spending cuts
reduce government borrowing,
so the economy would grow, he

"We are breaking the back of inflationary expectations... We will generate increases in productivity, work, savings and investment that will secure the major economic growth that we forecast." forecast."
Dr Wiedenbaum sald that

seen the 4 per cent plus rates of economic growth predicted for the next few years would leave some slack in the economy and would not strain the economy's productive capacity. He said that new forecasts

He said that new forecasts showed the rate of unemployment moving from 7.8 per cent this year to 7.2 per cent next year, then down to 6.6 per cent in 1983, 6.4 per cent in 1984, and 6 per cent in 1985.

Dr Wiedenbaum argued that even better growth might be achieved if the programme was put into place. "quickly and completely".

Under intense questioning, he

Under intense questioning, be admitted that he knew of no country where such a dramatic change in economic conditions had been achieved. He added:
"Nobody has tried this supplyside approach this way. We are
breaking new ground in the
policy steps."

# Mr Bryan Rigby: Rates are in-creasing out of proportion to companies' ability to pay.

creases to average 20 per cent but has calculated that a minimum overall increase would add £800m to industry costs in the mean that the rates bill for in-dustry which is now about £4,200m would increase to about

"With some companies such as ICI paying out £35m in rates currently, we are talking about very large numbers indeed," Mr Rigby said.

Expressed as a proportion of industry gross profits, rates have increased from about 9.7 per cent in 1973 to about 33.5 per cent now, on CBI calculations. This is because rates increases have here there creases have been greater than inflation over the past year while company profits have slumped. One retailer member of the

CBI Council said that rates were now such an important overhead charge at about 3 per cent of sales value, that the effect was starting to be felt in high street prices. The alternative was squeezed margins and closed premises.

Mr Rigby said that if all local councils followed the Government's spending guidelines, the average increases in the rate poundage would be very small indeed—about 0.2 per cent

Twenty-four out of 39 shire counties which benefited from the change the block grant system were expecting to levy average incerases of 9 per cent government guidelines — whereas if they followed the government guidelines decreases could have been expected.

pected.

Mr Rigby told the council:

We are deeply worried by
forecasts of increases of more than 50 per cent in some areas.

6 months

#### Gilt-edged stocks were quietly firm with rises of up to 25p at the long end of the market. The government broker was able to sell a small amount of Treasury 12 per cent 1986 at 520 1/16 £2m advertising campaign to promote 800 cheaper fast selling lines

## Woolworth sets scene for more price cutting

The high street discounting war " looks set to reach a new hosted by Woolworth yesterday.
The company hired Wembley
Conference Centre for 1200
suppliers, stockbrokers and
media people to hear about a year-long price-cutting cam-

And though Woolworth executives played down suggestions that its "Operation Crackdows , starting tomorrow, will not have the same impact as when Tesco switched to a discounting policy after dropping trading stamps, with 1,000 stores and 15 million customers weekly, Woolworth is bound to stimulate fresh moves from competitors. The 1,000 suppliers were warned yesterday by Mr David Collier, director of sales and

advertising that Woolworth buyers would expect manu-

facturers to share the discount

cost. Woolworth expects their cooperation in return for extra

The other "carrot" is that the 12m cost of the television and advertising campaign for Woolworth Participating sup-Woolworth Participating sup-pliers usually cover about half the cost. This time, the suppliers share will be just over 20 per over 30 per cent.

The price cuts in the first three months will be on 800 lines in Woolworth and Woolco stores, mainly on fast-sellers and covering goods like confectionery, cosmetics, furniture, fashion, lighting, lawnmowers, toys and hi-fi. The cuts range from less than 10 per cent to nearly 50 per cent. The company is being coy about the extent of discounting

related to turnover, but there is some indication of the impact from the number of lines held Woolworth stores, about in Woolworth stores, about
12,000 in the average store but
probably double that in the
largest. Around 2,000 lines are
already heavily discounted.
Mr Geoffrey Rodgers, Woolworth's chairman, said: "We
have a large of the store of the suicidal margins.
"So we nettle by



the bone and we know it would be suicidal to try to raise profit

"So we have grasped the have already cur our costs to nettle by going for a very, very

Woolworth is beefing up its marketing campaign early instead of relying too much on the final quarter of the year, when the company traditionally does well in the run-up to

Its results collapsed in the second quarter of last year and recovered in the third. Decemagainst an estimated inflation in their goods sector of about 9 per cent. There was real growth of 3 per cent or more, according to Mr Collier. The Woolworth management

for the discounting operation to be extended to more lines. There must be a limit, nevertheless. In the nine months to October the company's pre-tax profits last year fell to £7.1m from £23.2m, with sales only marginally up in value.

Derek Harris

#### Mac Gregor pledge on Metal Box to shed 700 jobs By David Hewson

Metal Box, Britain's largest can manufacturer, is to make 700 workers redundant at 10 of its general line division factories. The company is already committed to a further 4,000 redundancies in other divisions. It said that while the economic recession, the strength of sterling and higher interest of sterling and higher interest rates had influenced the deci-sion, the loss of jobs was neces-sary to improve the competitive position of the division by reducing overheads.

The division produces a variety of metal containers for the cosmetic, pharmaceutical, household products, food and confectionery and other indus-The factories affected are at

Aintree; Carlisle; Mansfield; Sutton-in-Ashfield, Nottinghamshire; four in London and two in Hull. The redundancies will reduce the size of the general line division to 6,600 employees. Workers at the Lucas Girling brakes factory at Bromborough, Wirral, Merseyside, voted five to three to accept the closure of the car brakes plant with the loss of 700 jobs. Kraft Foods is to make 370 redundant over the next three years.

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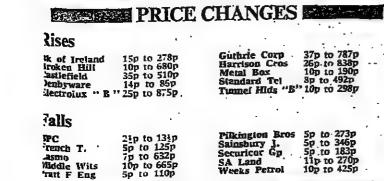
INTERIM STATEMENT Unaudited Results for the Half Year ended 30th September, 1980

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Included in Rental Income is an amount of £366,000 relating to the previous financial year, in respect of a retrospective reor review agreed in the current year.

An interim dividend of 1.225p per share (1979—1.225p)

will be paid on 20th March, 1981, to shareholders registered on 20th February, 1981.
Subject to unforeseen circumstances, it is expected that profits before tax for the year to 31st March, 1981, will be in the region of £3.5 million.



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#### Labour Reporter cent claim linked to othe The prospect of industrial action in banks was raised improvements in conditions and Mr Britz said that if the offer was accepted, bank employees yesterday after employers refused to increase their 8.5 per cent pay offer to 200,000 clerical workers. The TUC-affiliated Banking would see their standards of living eroded

living eroded
In an unusual display of agreement with the CBU: Mr Leif Mills, general secretary of BIFU said: "The attitude of the employers is Edwardian, bordering on the Victorian. They seem quite oblivious to the fact that under the offer, the living standards of their the living standards of their staff would be considerably reduced."

Mr Mills expected that the

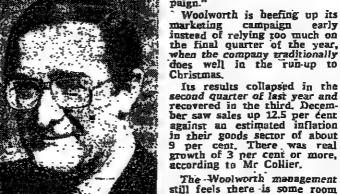
clearing banks would be making dividend increases to shareholders running into double figures as a result of the profits they have made this year.

"It would be quite monstrous for shareholders to receive a for shareholders to receive a double figure increase while

staff are being kept to this level", he said. The unions argued that in view of substantial increases won by workers in other sections of the finance industry, particularly insurance, where settlements are running at between 11 and 14 per cent, their members should receive similar increases.

The Federation of London Clearing Bank Employers said last night that its negotiators had reiterated the wish for a single figure settlement and " it

A meeting of 120 shop stewards decided by a small majority to reject the com-pany's plan, announced earlier this week. 8.5 per cent ". Mr Jack Illingworth, chair-man of the stewards' committee, said: "We intend to fight the company over the proposed redundancies. At this stage in



Mr Geoffrey Rodgers : grasping the nettle.

sense in calculating it on a

period as long as twelve months

example, the first half of last year when it reached a peak of 22 per cent. There can be no

ance of some such figure as 13

per cent as the "current rate of inflation" contributes largely

to wage claims of the order of

sary to maintain the standard

handed £950m to BL and is

tinue to crumble.

Indeed, the whole infrastructure on which the regeneration of manufacturing industry depends will decline. The simple truth is that, on the experience

of the past two years, we cannot

afford for Government to take its leisurely time. The civil engineering indus-try, with its far reaching effects

on industry and people in general, has a right to ask what happened to the priorities on which this Government was elected. It is to be hoped that

they are not going to prove the truth of Disraeli's saying

that "a Conservative Govern-ment is an organized hypo-

Nowhere has this need been

more clearly demonstrated than in housing, where we have been manifestly laggard in equipping

sulation (roof, walls and floors)

on the basis of economic thick-

ness and 3 per cent per annum

real increase in fuel costs. Although in the meantime these

costs have accelerated ever up-

wards, and no official body has

refuted the logic of our recom-mendations, there has been virtually no action.

if given the chance, is eminently capable of action which will profoundly affect for the good

the energy future of

Yours fairhfully,

Director-General, Eurisol-UK, 64 Wilson Road,

London, SWIV IDE.

IAN MUNRO.

February 12.

The Department of Energy,

Director General, The Federation of Civil Engineering Contractors,

Conservation of energy

primary energy resources.

However, those of us who tion proposed much higher have assiduously presented our standards for whole home in-

Yours faithfully,

E. W. C. SYMES.

Kingston Deverill

Calculating the fall

in the inflation rate

some time that the movement doubt that the general accept-

Sir, The main news item in The Times today (February 14) referring to the fall in the in-

While it has been accepted for

of prices over the preceding twelve months shall be regarded as the current rate of inflation

-(your headline "Prices show

considered instead of twelve, as

paragraph, the figure is only

7.5 per cent per annum. More-over, this has been the rate on

average throughout the six

month period and appears un-likely to be exceeded in the

of its policies

Sir, Your interview with Mr Michael Heseltine (February 13) confirmed what I have long suspected, namely that this Government is no more resolute

in pursuit of the policies upon which it was elected than were

which it was elected than were its predecessors.

Of course capital investment cuts are "quicker and easier"—because they transfer the burden of making people redundant from the public to the private sector. But that in no private sector, but that in no

private sector. But that in no way makes them either right or desirable in the long term interests of the country. Nor does it square easily with the oft-repeated assertions during the election campaign and when the Government first came to office that it intended

to transfer resources from the

public to the private sector.

The plain fact is that this

From Mr Ion Muuro Sir, The idea of a national agency for energy conservation

as reported by your Science

Editor, February 9) may gladden the hearts of the many

individuals and organizations who have long been campaign-

ing for a serious national com-

respective cases, whilst we wel-.

come any move to bring about real action on energy conserva-

tion, fear that the formation of a new agency will simply intro-duce further delays in a pro-

gramme, which is already re-sponding too slowly to current, and likely future conditions. Surely Britain already has a ready made and experienced

agency in the form of the De-partment of Energy, which has itself campaigned since its

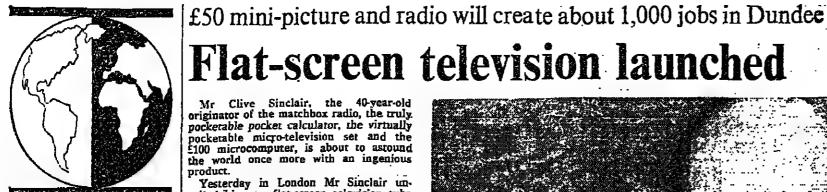
inception for energy conserva-tion. Rather than create another

At a time when the rate of Wiitshire.

inflation is falling, as at February 14

Government's pursuit

next six months.



#### Pilkington in £31m deal with Taiwan

Pilkington Brothers of Britain have entered a joint venture with Taiwan Float Glass Industry Corporation, for the establishment of a \$70m (about

£31m) plant near Taichung. Pilkington will provide 25 per cent of the investment capital while the remaining 75 per cent will come from its Taiwanese

partner a spokesman said. The plant, oace completed in December 1982, will have the capacity to produce 100,000 tonnes of float glass for sale in Taiwan and South-East Asia. Pilkington will also provide production equipment

#### Anti-dumping duty

The European Commission has imposed a provisional antidumping duty of 4 per cent on United States-produced styrene monomer. It fell far short of the dumping margin of 26 per cent claimed last summer by industry.

#### Tokyo car talks

Nissan Motor Company seeks agreement with Volkswagen by about June on the number of Volkswagen cars to be pro-duced and sold in Japan, Meanwhile, executives of the Toyota Motor Company and Spain's Instituto Nacional de Industria have failed to reach agreement on ways to rescue Seat, the Spanish car company.

#### **EEC** output rise

The European Commission said the Community's industrial output rose in October and November last year, apparently ending the months long decline. But it foresaw continuing high unemployment and inflation

#### Turkey seeks aid

Mr Turgut Ozal, Turkey's deputy prime minister is holding talks in Washington with officials of the International Monetary Fund, World Bank and Reazan Administration and Reagan Administration about prospects for official economic aid of around \$2,000m (£855m) from the United States and the international agencies.

#### Norway oil boost

Thanks to increased oil and gas activity, Norway's available real income increased by almost 20 per cent during 1979 and 1980 and last year helped the country to turn a 1979 balance of payment deficit of \$954m (£422m) into a \$862m (£381m)

#### Hongkong loan

A group of property deve-

property loan from five banks. The loan equals the record Hongkong dollar credit,

#### Capital investment

The Italian Government intends to provide 3,000,000m lira (about £417m) in low interest loans over the next five years for capital investment in the chemicals industry. A further 3,000,000m lire will be

divisions.

TURNOVER-UK

-Overseas

Tax

PROFIT BEFORE TAX

**NET PROFIT AFTER TAX** 

EARNINGS PER SHARE

Due to outside shareholders

Final Ordinary dividend (proposed)

Interim Ordinary dividend (paid)

## Flat-screen television launched Mr Clive Sinclair, the 40-year-old originator of the matchbox radio, the truly

pocketable pocket calculator, the virtually pocketable micro-television set and the 100 microcomputer, is about to astound the world once more with an ingenious Yesterday in London Mr Sinclair un-veiled his new flat-screen television tube

and a mock-up version of the miniature and a linear section of the sets are to be built under contract and in volume by Timex in Dundee, creating about 1,000 jobs by 1985.

In the first phase of the project, costing about £1.25m, 250 jobs will be created and a production capacity of one million tubes a year will be established. Sometime next year the resulting "pocket Micro-vision television with FM radio" should appear on the market at about £50.

Research and development over the past five years, leading to the flat-screen set, has cost more than fim, of which about half came from the National Research Development Corporation.

In return for NRDC support, Sinclair

will pay a royalty on each set sold; details of the deal have not been made known but it is likely that the corporation would cover its £500,000 investment in two years' production at the rate quoted yesterday.

Research and development has involved not only the design and technical aspects of the flat-treen cathode ray tube but also the highly automated production

processes.

These have been tried out at Sinclair's pilot production plant at St Ives, Cambridge, where tubes have been produced at rates of up to 50 a day, and will be applied on a large scale by Timex.

The four-year programme to build up to full production of tubes and sets will cost about 15m. The Scotrish Economic

about £5m. The Scottish Economic Planning Department is providing £1,5m of this; there will be a regional develop-ment grant of £1.1m and the rest will come from Sinclair Research.

Sinclair Research will own all equipment and will fund its own contribution from the profits of its personal computer business. The NRDC licence is an exclu-



Mr Clive Sinclair with his flat-screen television.

sive one, and the company will achieve total ownership of the tube technology after certain payments have been made. There will be no equity participation by external investors.

The flat-screen technology shows typical Sinclair ingenuity in packing more (in terms of performance) into less (in terms of size, weight and power consumption).
By "flat" is meant three-quarters of an inch thick; the viewing surface measures four inches by two inches.
This could be scaled up to give larger-

size screens for future products, Mr Sinclair indicated yesterday, and the pre-ferred method for this would be by pro-

jection from small tubes. The joining of the company's computer and flat-screen technologies was highly likely.

Compared with a conventional cathoderay tube with the same size of screen, the present Sinclair unit is claimed to be three times as bright, half the volume, and is claimed to use between one-quarter and one-tenth the electrical power.

With further computer and television developments already in the pipeline, what will Mr Sinclair turn his talents to next? Something to do with electric vehicles, we are led to believe.

Kenneth Owen

#### Honda seeks W Midlands becoming 'industrial more BL wilderness', unions claim cooperation By Our Midland Industrial

Correspondent

Honda of Japan is so pleased with the progress on the Acclaim, the joint venturs with BL due for launching in October, that it is pressing the British group to extend coonerasale in the United Kingdom and Europe.

Honda executives who have visited BL's Cowley plant, have been so impressed with the speed and quality of the work being carried out there on the Acclaim that they no lonser lear that inferior British quality fear that interior printed will damage their reputation.

Mr Kiyoshi Kawashima, president of Honda, said: "With

increased reliability established between the two companies we will soon proceed to the second step of cooperation." This included plans to

broaden the variants of the present model and also to make further models in Britain under licence. He hoped an agreement would be reached soon.

Talks have been under way for some months to extend the lopers in Hongkong has raised present deal for one four-door, a HKS1,500m (about £124m) litre saloon model to include more variants of the Acclaim. It is understood that BL is reluctant to commit itself until the Acclaim is actually in production to its satisfaction and has had a chance to test market reaction. Volume production is due to begin in June with a target of around 80,000 cars in the first full year.

The possibility of extending

the cooperation still further to include Honda models now being developed is likely to cause more difficulties.

From a turnover of £174m, pre-tax profit

of Securicor Group showed a 141/2 %

increase to £7.9m, Security Services

companies, showed the largest

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Finance, investments & insurance

Property, hotels & vehicle division

contributing £6.2m. Our international

division, operating through 16 separate

percentage improvement in profitability.

Good contributions to profit were again

insurance, property, hotels and vehicle

By Clifford Webb
Union leaders are so concerned about the economic decline of the West Midlands, once known proudly as "The workshop of the world", that they want urgent action by the facturing in the region that is that company's loss of markets, not inferior to some foreign 47,000 jobs went between 1965 country and that has not been and 1977.

they want urgent action by the Government and the European Economic Community to prevent it becoming an industrial wilderness. A campaign calling for a new regional policy backed by finan-cial assistance was opened yesterday in Birmingham by the

regional council of the Trades Union Congress. Last year the number un-employed in the West Midlands rose by 82.4 per cent, making it by far the worst region in the

country. The national average was 52.6 per cent. A 120-page discussion paper outlining the problems and recommended solutions will be debated today by a special con-ference of senior West Midlands

ference or semi-union officials.

There is now

replaced by some other source. Old industries are being allowed

to die or are being destroyed.

"In the new technology industries, development is not taking place on a level with our major competitors. From sewing machines to machine tools, from combine harvesters to television sets we are being out-classed, outproduced and out-

The paper complains that while successive Governments, assisted more depressed areas, there was a presumption within the Treasury in particular that the West Midlands, with 100 years of prosperity behind it, would remain a rich parent to its poorer neighbours and needed little attention.

The decline in vehicle proit is estimated that one worker

and 1977.

The engineering industry, which employed 700,000 in the region in 1965, lost 128,000 jobs over the following 12 years—44,000 more than expected on the basis of national trends.

Employment in vehicles is expected to decline by a further 60,000 over the next five years. 60,000 over the next five years.

Until last spring, manage-ments appear to be adopting their traditional ractic in the their traditional ractic in the face of falling markets—jettisoning semi-skilled workers while hanging on to skilled men to await the upturn.

But from May even skilled workers were being made redundant with Lucas Industries firing the first major shors.

The plain fact is that this Government, as so many of its predecessors have done, is taking the "soft option". To take but three instances—it failed to grapple with the prob. lem of inflation proof pensions, with the result that in November 1979 £290m, and last November £376m, of public money went into that bottomless pit (equivalent together to about one-eighth of the current total civil engineering programme); in the public sector there is still only one redundancy for every nine in the private sector; and that austere apostle of the market economy and the virtue of profits, Sir Keith Joseph, has already The paper claims that its

researchers had access to conduction had a disproportionate fidential management papers impact on the region, where prepared by Lucas stating that prepared by Lucas stating that in its opinion "the situation is It says: "There is now in six is dependent on the all but lost for the British hardly a single sector of manu-fortunes of BL. As a result of motor industry.".

#### Equipment leasing growth rate slows

By Roman Eisensrein Companies who are members f the Equipment Leasing £2,359m worth of equipment for leasing to their clients, a 31 per cent increase on 1979. When adjusted for inflation, the rise in real terms is a respectable 14

Against a background of continuing

security and movement of parcels in the

development costs in relation to the new

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Results for year ended September 26, 1980

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frequency of criminal attacks on our

cash transport operations continued.

UK again showed an improvement and

recession and highly competitive

conditions, profit from industrial

we were able to absorb remaining

At the end of last year.ELA members owned equipment. which originally cost £6,891m, While the market expanded compared with £5,030m in 1979. In most sectors the sharpest

SEGURICOR

PROFIT UP 141/2% TO £7.9m: Comment by Peter Smith, Chairman

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From small beginnings, leas-ing has expanded so fast that it now accounts for 12.4 per cent, acquired during the year by of all new capital investment in plant and equipment in Britain. But, while growth has been fast over the past five years, it seems to be tapering off. Assets acquired by leasing companies in 1979 grew by nearly 50 per cent and by nearly 80 per cent

in 1978. While the market expanded

leasing companies for their clients doubled from £415m to £830m, Manufacturers and other industrial customers took on assets worth £968m, a 17 per cent increase. There was also a

41 per cent rise in new business The amount of assets leased by central and local government more than doubled from £96m to £201m.

#### **GDP** likely to be 2pc lower than in 1980

By John Whitmore Financial Correspondent

The economy may pick up in the second quarter of this year, but the recovery will be so small and from such a low base that gross domestic pro-duct for the year as a whole is likely to be 2 per cent lower than in 1980, according to a report published today.

World Outlook 1981, published by the Economist Intelligence Unit also suggests a sharp fall in United Kingdom exports, particularly in the first half of the year, and the possibility of rising inflation towards the year end.

Over the year as a whole there is likely to be a 4.4 per cent fall in the export volume, although there may be some improvement later in the year as the world economy starts to

This recovery is one factor leading the forecasters to take a cautious view of British inflation and they expect some up-turn in commodity prices.

With exports falling and total investment expected to decline by a further 4.6 per cent, the forecasters look to a rise of only 0.2 per cent in consumer spending and a slowdown in destocking to keep the economy

The rise in consumer spending is expected to reflect a small fall in the savings ratio as inflation abates. Real disposable incomes are expected to fall by 1 per cent.

The forecast for unemployment is gloomy, given the falling number of jobs and the rise in the potential workforce. An upturn in the inflation rate later in the year could force the government to reconsider incomes controls and it may have to take action soon on imports or compenitiveness. . .

#### body, would it not be common sense to give the Department of Energy more teeth to bring in really effective energy conservation in practice, starting with higher standards of insulation and heating controls. Investment in electrification From Mr Stanley F. Steward

authorization of this programme Sir, The financial justification for main line electrification has now been established by the final report of the joint steer-ing group. Here is an invest-

ment opportunity in the public sector which is indisputably self-financing and profitable and which, as Professor Bain-bridge says (February 16) will

as, before it can be completed, oil will be prohibitively expensive and too scarce to use where it can be substituted. We transportation system at this risk and, fortunately, electricity produced by nuclear fuels and coal provides the ideal answer.

#### STANLEY F. STEWARD, Cobb House, remove the dependence on oil. Financial restraints should London, SW1Y 5ER. not be allowed to delay the

experienced computers American small businesses reported by Margarer Coffey. (February 16) is being shared by many small businesses in the United Kingdom. The low cost of microelectronics is resulting in cheap computers. being installed for time in very small businesses in large numbers. From the many pleas for assistance addressed to the Computing Services Association, it is obvious that a substantial proportion of these small business users are finding that the computer manufacturers' claims are not being realized because of inadequacies in the accompany-

(software). The problem is not that the computing hardware fails to perform to its guaranteed specification but that the total system, including software, fails to produce the results which are required to run the busi-ness. The inexperienced first-time user does not appreciate that good software can be very expensive. If the programs are specially written to meet the requirements of a particular business, then the expense can

ing systems and programs

mass-produced to sell to a large number of identical businesses at a low cost, it very often fails to meet individual special re-quirements and is not able to produce the same output as the old manual system.

These factors have been well

understood by the large com-

puter users for many years, but the lesson still needs to be learnt by this latest wave of small business users. businessman intending to install his first computer should concentrate on specifying the outbut that he requires from the overall computing system in order to run his business pro-perly. He should also have a clear statement of the data currently available for input to the computing system and he should not be distracted by the irrelevant jargon of megabytes and nanoseconds. Modern minicomputers and microcomputers offer impressive raw computing power at prices which are becoming cheaper and cheaper, but good computing systems are still more difficult and costly to implement than most sales-men will indicate.

First-time users would be well advised to discount some of the claims made by computer manufacturers and their distrieasily exceed the cost of the butors in order to pay more

Pension rights delay

Sir, Even if (David Green, Lotters, February 12) for pension purposes the third nation (the flation rare, highlights the swollen by the inclusion of, for general misconception on this matter in the public mind.

While it has been accounted to self-employed) can be shown to be disadvantaged compared with the privately employed and "the group at present privileged to enjoy index-linked pensions", it would do well, as would nations one and two, to reflect on the unhappy position of the fourth nation, eg, employees of small businesses, for whom comparable full pension rights will not be available unti-

annual rise of 13 per cent")— 15 per cent—which mext twelve if the previous six months is will apply to the next twelve maintain the standard In this field at least the yo-yo effect of the two-party system has much to answer for. The quite sensible scheme development by the Macmillan government in the early 60s was jetti-soned by the Wilson administration of 1964. Crossman's excellent scheme sank without trace when the Conservative; took office under Edward Heath in 1970. It was only after Labour had taken office in 1974 that both the major parties agreed on a bipartisan approach which enabled the Social Security Pension Act of 1975 to reach the statute book so

rapidly. What a waste of time and effort I What a cost in terms of the welfare of the fourth

handed 1950m to BL and is apparently about to give away vast sums to British Steel.

If Mr Heseltine is really saying that civil engineering and private industry as a whole must wait until Government has actually managed to return Pensions? Industrial relations? Can we really afford a: has actually managed to return to its original objectives and has got its own spending back on course, current indications are that we shall have to wait a very long time. Meanwhile, much-needed roads and bypasses will remain unbuilt and our sewerage system will continue to crumble. two-party system any more? IAN LIDDINGTON, 36 Reigate Hill, Surrey, RH2 9NG.

Solutions for steel

From Mr J. F. Safford Sir, Mr Michael Grylls (Feb. sruary 17) draws attention to the dilemmas facing the Govern-ment over the rationalization of the British steel industry, public and private. The first objective must be the creation of an internationally competitive and efficient steel industry; the second, the maintenance wherever possible of at least two alternative sources of supply in the United Kingdom. The absence of such domestic The absence of such domestic competition would lead many users to increase the proportion of their supplies bought over-

What must above all be avoided is solutions which are politically convenient in the short term, but industrially damaging for a generation. We are still suffering the effects of a political decision of the 1950s to have two sub-optimal size steel plants in Scotland and South Wales.

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British Iron and Steel Consumers' Council, 16 Berwyn Road, Richmond, Surrey, TW10 SES.

ourselves for an expensive and scarce energy future. Building regulations in this country call for insulation standards only half those operative in continen-Currency change miment towards a more tal countries of comparable efficient usage of the nation's climate. In a paper published

From Mr Aidan Ellis Sir, I have recently returned from France and have a 100 local branch of the National Westminster to exchange it for sterling. The girl behind the counter saked me for my pass-port and I told her it was not necessary as exchange control was abolished almost two years ago. After a 5-10 minute delay she came back and asked for my name and address. I refused pointed out that cash was cash The assistant manager turned up and refused to change the 100 franc note unless I identified myself. I stormed out I then rang Lloyds Bank who, although sympathizing, went through the same rigmarole. The manager at that branch gave me the impression that asking for a name and address ;

was a waste of time but had not queried the system.

I went to Aspreys and asked the man who served me would he accept a 100 franc note in payment and he said "Yes, was the man who had be said "Yes, was the said "Yes, was cash is cash and readies are to readies !"

Has anybody else encountered this strange sequence of events where banks do not want to handle cash? Director, Aidan Ellis Publishing,

## Warning for computer users

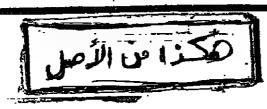
overall business systems which is available from the computing service companies. D. A. EYEIONS Director General Computing Services Association, 73/74 High Holborn, London, WC1V 6LE.

Sir, Not only are small America. can businessmen bemused by mystique of computers February 16) but so, apparently is a British manufacturer. Recent advertisements stated boldly that this "per-sonal computer" is "of immense practical value" and have suggested that it has many

uses in the home.

No computer "expert" has been able to tell me any useful task that I could do in the home with a personal computer; that I could not do not cheaply and conveniently with a pocket calculator and indexed notebook. Yours sincerely,

BRIAN READ, 50 St Mark's Road, Henley-on-Tuames, February 16.



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THE TIMES THURSDAY FEBRUARY 19 1981

#### BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

## Dalgety reaps takeover benefits

Dalgety's balance sheet may still bear-the scars of the £70m takeover and subsequent integration of Spillers but at least the acquisition is beginning to justify itself in profit terms. Interim results from Dalgety show pretax profits up just £500,000 at £16.2m and, although reorganization fudges the Spillers contribution, it is clear that without it trading figures would have fallen.

without it trading figures would have tallen.

Most significant impact: has come in
milling which has increased its contribution
four-fold to £4.4m, aided by good grain
harvests, price increases and increased
demand. But the foods division has also been
boosted £3.5m to £8m helped by improvements in pet foods and a return to profit
in the United States Modern Maid subsidiary, whose previous drag on Spillers sidiary, whose previous drag on Spillers provided the opportunity for the Dalgety bid. Meanwhile, Dalgety's traditional activities have fared worse with malting profits halved to £2.1m and agricultural eturns slipping £1m to £10.8m, and the

chemicals activities suffering badly.

Outside milling, economic conditions do not hold out much for a significant recovery this time. But Dalgety is sufficiently confident about the traditionally stronger econd half to maintain the dividend at 15.75 grants where it is not covered by 15.7p gross where it is not covered by nistoric earnings. This was good enough for



Mr. David Donne, chairman of Dalgety.

he market which lifted the shares 6p to 80p, where assuming a maintained final a ield of 11.2 per cent provides a sound case

or holding on for better times.

Profits could work out close to £40m gainst £33.4m for the full year to provide fully-taxed p/e of over 10, while any ignificant fall in interest rates could relieve ressure from interest charges which rose 2.47% to £14.8m. Total debt still stands at on to represent four-fifths of shareolders funds but this is £18m below the revious interim level and Dalgety has made gnificant inroads into short-term borrowigs which now stand at £97m compared ith more than £123m at this time last year:

#### irmid Qualcast

#### Cutbacks :ontinue

irmid Qualcast's full-year figures provide vivid example of what happens to a comany serving yesterday's industries, when ecline is compounded by recession. With slume down by nearly a third in the iron nundries which are largely tied to autootive-related industries, Birmid has had retrench further incurring £10.2m of ttraordinary closure and redundancy prosions of which £6m will be cash out as prosed to book losses.

Before counting extraordinaries and after stating the previous figures accordingly. retax profits fell from £6.4m to £225,000 ter nearly tripled interest charges of 3.6m. After writing off £3.4m advance reporation tax, passing the final dividend id including closure costs there was a 13.7m loss compared with retentions of

61,000. Even before paying out most of the cash osure costs, net debt nearly doubled to most £25m. But Birmid went into the ression with a strong balance sheet and is a net worth of about £56m-before inuding an estimated £13m extra on coperty values—and there is still some ish to be released from asset sales and ock reductions. There is also consolation

in the profitable Potterton heating division and the home and garden equipment side which together raised trading profits by 56 per cent to £5.8m last year and must be worth more than the group taken as a whole.

But whether Birmid makes profits this year—and it will not in the first half depends on foundries. Iron casting capacity has been halved since 1977 but there is still spare capacity and without some recovery in demand further cutbacks may be necessary. The difficulty of predicting, and in-deed the depth of the recession, are best illustrated by the fact that a year ago Birmid was honestly expecting a year of con-solidation in foundries after extensive rationalization. In the event, the foundries slipped from a £5.1m trading profit to losses of £1.4m. So unless there are firm signs of a pick-up in demand the shares will stay friendless at 21½p.

#### **BOC** International

#### Anxious

moments

BOC has made a strong start to the year with first-quarter pretax profits 18 per cent ahead at £14.6m well up to expectations. But the group now seems to be taking a distinctly less sanguine view of the rest of the year than the substantial improvement envisaged in the annual report and profits will do well to ger back to 1979's £72.7m.

There has been an all-round improvement in the opening three months with South-Africa and Australia living up to their great potential. The Airco business in the United States has also been buoyant with trading profits just over a tenth higher at £8.9m as gases, welding and medical have all done better offsetting a strike-bound graphite side. In the United Kingdom rationalization and other cost reductions have helped protect margins in industrial gases against some volume declines.

But the group is now worrying about the patchy recovery of the United States economy with much of its earlier strength evaporating at the end of December and there could be further redundancy costs during the year at home. Still, despite the rise in interest charges, there have been no major changes in the balance sheet and though it is flattered by BOC's replacement cost accounting methods, gearing is com-fortable enough to discount worries about

a rights issue. Up 2p to 120p on the results, the shares are back to their 1980-81 "high" and their new found popularity owes much to the marker's appreciation of the strong current cost dividend cover—CCA profits are actually slightly higher than BOC's modified historical figures—and now that the extra depreciation charges as assets are revalued onto a replacement cost basis are a thing of the past the benefits of this conservative accounting will show through at the bottom line.

sent shudders through the whole retail sector yesterday, but first impressions are that the market could still be taking the news too complacently in the light of the damage Tesco wreaked in the food retailing business three years ago.

Besides the scale of the cuts; the most important point is that Woolworth has around 1,000 stores covering just about every shopping centre of consequence, which means that few non-food shops will avoid the impact and that retailers in general face a tough 1981. It will be even tougher if Woolworth is allowed to grab a

growing share of a stagnant market.
Boots, British Home Stores, Asda and Tesco could be the main victims. The last two have problems in non-food lines already. Tesco, incidentally, lauriched "Operation Checkout" in June, 1977, and that proved to be the time to sell supermarket shares, with an attempted rally scotched a few months later when Sainsbury counter attacked with its own discounts.

Investors are then, likely to remain wary of Woolworth's "Operation Crack Down' despite the optimistic noises it made at yesterday's press conference about Christmas trade, and with the sector as a whole still yielding under 5 per cent and selling at 11 times earnings, prices look set to fall further across the board.

#### Economic notebook

#### The Deutsche mark under pressure

That the influential German Institute for Economic Research—DIW—has added its voice to those urging temporary withdrawal of the Deutsche mark from the European Monetary System, indicates the disquiet felt in West Germany about the country's short-term economic prosperts. In fact conditions prospects. In fact, conditions would almost certainly have to get much worse before such a course of action could be contemplated by the Bonn govern-

After all, Chancellor Helmut Schmidt was with President Giscard d'Estaing of France, the moving spirit behind the formation of the EMS in 1979. Indeed, in the eyas of many people the EMS and the similar (if less sophisticated) arrangements that preceded it, looked like little more than the fomalization of what, was, in fact, the wider mark zone.

A European Monetary System

However, interest rates in America have also been driven up by domestic monetary policies, as they have in Britain, with the result that the differential between interest rates in New York and Frankfurt is now so large that it is cover any risk of dollar depreciation.

Deficit

A European Monetary System without the mark would be like playing chess without any kings. The case for the mark's withdrawal from the EMS is that this would permit German interest rates to be cut and thereby contain the recession and the rise in unemployment. and the rise in unemployment.
According to the German Institute for Economic Research,
the policy of keeping interest
rates high in order to bolster
the mark has not done much to prevent imported inflation

Layway. Certainly, the outlook for Certainly, the outlook for German business is worse now than was predicted a few months back. Industrial production has been declining since the second quarter of 1980. Real economic growth in 1980 was much less than half that for much less than fair that for 1979 (about 1.8 per cent compared with 4.6 per cent). In 1981, gross national product is forecast by Phillips and Drew to decline by some 0.6 per cent. Inflation also worsened last year reaching 5.6 per cent compared with only 4 per cent in 1979.

account deficit has soared. It may prove to have been not much short of DM28,500m (£5,750m) in 1980—or nearly twice the original forecast—whereas, until 1978, the country had been piling up ever larger surpluses. Another sizable deficit is expected this year.

The large deficit has not, however, been accepted with equanimity by the German authorities.

#### Claw back

This has not prevented the mark becoming one of the weakest of all the major currencles in recent months. At the beginning of this week, it stood at its lowest level against the dollar for well over three years having become worth as much as a quarter less against the American currency than it was in the autumn of 1979 when was then the dollar that was under severe pressure.

Over the same period, the mark also dropped about 6 per cent against a basker of curren-cies. Within the European Monetary System, it has fallen to its lowest permitted level, at the opposite extreme to the French franc, which has been at its highest permitted level.
Only in the last 48 hours has

the mark begun to claw back some of its large losses. None of the prevailing theo-ries adequately explain, in any case, just why the mark has been simultaneously weak against the dollar, sterling and the French franc. If the level of exchange rates were essentially determined by differences in nations' inflation levels, as used to be widely thought, then the mark would have been extremely strong in past months, rather than weak.

The increase in German prices last year was on average rather less than half that for other industrial countries. French and American inflation levels were both above the average. Britain's was higher still.

But what is also true is that

Germany has had rather lower interest rates than those other countries. This, though, has his torically been the case. Interes rate differentials are, to some extent, a reflection of differences in inflation rates between countries. High inflation in any country increases the risk that its currency will depreciate against others. High interest rates are, therefore, often necessary to prevent large sums of money going abroad.

However, interest rates in America have also been driven furt is now so large that it is viewed as more than adequate to cover any risk of dollar depreciation.

Such an explanation would not account for the weakness of the mark against the French franc. The interest rate differential between Paris and Frankfurr has been rather less recently than on many past occasions. Neither is the fact that Germany has a large current account deficir enough change rate movements.

America, it is true, had a small surplus on its current account last year, but the French experienced a deficit which was not much less than the German one if measured as a percentage of their respective

gross national products.

Another theory suggests that it is the relative tightness or laxify of monetary policy in different countries that determined the products of the countries of the countries of the countries that determined the countries that the count mines how their currencies

But monetary policy has been tight in most countries. In Germany, France and the United States, money supply has grown by less than the increase in their respective money national incomes.

Among the big industrial countries, Britain had one of the least restrictive monetary

least restrictive monetary policies (if the growth in money supply, is compared with that elsewhere after allowing for respective increase in money national incomes). Yet, sterling was also one of the stronger

leave out the question of energy and other "confidence" factors like political stability. Germany is thought to be particularly vulnerable at present to any further increase in the oil price or disruption of energy supplies.

The anti-nuclear energy lobby in Germany have prevented rapid expansion of nuclear generating capacity. The upheaval in Poland is also seen

as a threat to future gas supplies from Siberia.

The sensitive geographical position of Germany means that it is, anyway, the source of concern when there is trouble in Eastern Europe. Today, there is added disquiet about what is thought to be the governing coalition's lack of political will. By contrast, France has estab-lished close relations with the Arab countries and successfully negotiated a number of trade and energy deals with them.

For America, it is clear that the "Reagan Factor" is tend-ing to work like the "Thatcher Factor" in generating confi-Factor" in generating confi-dence in these countries' economic policies. The currency markets like promises of financial discipline and cuts in government spending and borrow-ing. This, together with high interest rates and current account surpluses, probably accounts for much of the recent strength of the dollar and ster-

ling.
But, if Congress prevents many of the spending cuts from going through and federal borrowing continues to rise, as seems likely, there may not be a level of interest rates—no matter how high—that will pre-vent the dollar reversing all the

Melvyn Westlake

## Why 'grannies' may get younger after the Budget

As the countdown to the Budget As the countdown to the Budget begins in earnest, the debate about the funding potential of National Savings is becoming more intense. The Government, which is making efforts to take the pressure off the gilt market, has aiready made it an article of faith that the personal savings sector should play an savings sector should play an increasing role in meeting the public sector borrowing require-

The questions are to what extent can the Government mobilize the savings of the man mobilize the savings of the man in the street and what is the price it will have to pay? Central to these forward-look-ing questions is the historical one; how successful has the Government's National Savings package announced last autumn been?

In September significant improvements were made in the Department of National Savings' repertoire of index-linked sav-ings schemes. A new issue of granny bonds, the index-linked National Savings certificates, was announced with both a new higher maximum investment of £3,000 (against £1,200 for the earlier edition) and a minimum age limit of 60 for both men and women. And the index-linked Save-As-You-Earn scheme maximum monthly investment was to be raised from £20 to £50.

bonds were the extensions in the upper limits for both the conventional pineteenth issue of National Savings certificates from £1,500 to £5,000 and the Investment Account of the National Savings Bank, up from £50,000 to £200,000. A re-arrangement of the premium bond prize structure to give more smaller prizes, announced a few weeks later, completed he package.

Flanking the new granny

So far, so good. There is no dispute about these facts. But there are definite differences of opinion about the volume of business which these revamped savings schemes, particularly the second issue of granny bonds, were expected to raise in the present fiscal year. It was initially reported that the Government hoped to raise £1,500m from the autumn pack-

age with the main thrust coming from the index-linked bonds. The Department of National Savings, which was caught on the hop by the September 9 announcement, has consistently repudiated these consistently repudiated these assumptions and talked instead of a net gain of £2,000m to National Savings in 1980-81, There seems little doubt that

the higher target will be reached. But it is the way in which it is reached which will determine what further savings measures the Chancellor can be expected to include in the

Latest figures from the De-partment of National Savings due today will show that it is well on line to add another \$2,000m to National Savings by the end of March. Total savings which were £13,400m at the beginning of the fiscal year were already £14,500m at the end of 1980 and the January net receipts will add another £800m. February sales figures are good, and barring disaster in March, National Savings should end the year above the £15,400m it has in its sights.

But it is the nineteenth issue.

Personal savings must play a bigger role in meeting the public sector borrowing requirement. Margaret Stone · reports

with its tax free return equivalent to 10.3 per cent net or 14.7 per cent gross to basic rate taxper cent gross to basic rate fax-payers, which is pulling abead. After attracting £120m in the first week they became avail-able, granny bond sales are now settling down to around £40m a week—while the con-ventional nineteenth issue is adding up to £45m a week. edging up to £45m a week.

The overall success of National Savings in recent months does not totally disguise some disappointment with granny bonds—which have suf-fered from the declining inflation rate, the absence of a bonus and neutral, if not adverse comment from the press This is almost certainly bound

to force the Chancellor's hand in the Budget if he is to be certain that National Savings will meet his next target—a further £3,000m net intake to some £18,400m.

For declining interest rates will not only strip out some of the inflationary benefits of granny bonds but must also reduce the impact of both the Investment Account (Invac) of the National Savings Bank and the nineteenth issue of savings certificates.

At the moment the Government is paying well over the odds for this money. The Invac account pays 15 per cent gross and the nineteenth issue 14.7 per cent compared with 11.5 per cent for clearing bank deposits and 13.25 per cent on a building society share account. In "normal" conditions, the

Invac rate would have been reduced by now and the nine-teenth issue withdrawn. It seems unlikely that these precut in minimum lending rate. With more market-related With more market-related yields, the pulling power of both the National Savings Bank and the next issue of conventional savings certificates will probably wane.

This in turn will tighten the screws further. Of the £1,200m net addition to National Savings at the end of December, 1980, no less than £595m represented accrued interest (£233m from the lovestment Account). So, once interest rates are cut, there will be shortfall here too for the Government to make up.

Although the cumulative effect of the new £50 a month

ceiling for SAYE schemes, which begins in April, will be substantial, its initial impact will not be great. Nor are promium bonds packing the same punch as they once did. Without a big new prize to draw in the punters, net sales of premium bonds are expected to amble forward around the current rate of \$41m a year.

There is no secret what the answer to the National Savings prayer will be. The Treasury

prayer will be. The Treasury has already hinted that it will consider bringing down the age limit for granny bonds. But will it be to 55 or 50 years of age? Whichever, this relaxation in the age limit bringing granny bonds within the reach of men

and women in the Indian sum-mer of their professional lives is likely to have a much more significant impact on savers than last autumn's changes.

Taxpayers, many of them it the higher brackets, will be able to inflation-proof up to £6.000 of their joint savings in a taxfree investment which carries no charges or front-end loading (when total charges over the use of the savings scheme are all deducted at the outset). It is more likely to be a winner for them than for present savers who are conscious both of the five-year commitment (although it is not binding) and absence of income.

Pleas of discrimination and unfair competition from the building sectories in particular are likely to fall on deaf ears. The Government apparently believes that building societies already cream off too much personal savings and is in no mood to put their interests be-fore those of the Treasury. On the other hand, building

societies could be more vulnerable to granny bonds for the 50 to 60 age group than they apparently are to the present scheme. Although net receipts dropped sharply to £225m in November (when the second issue went on sale), they have since recovered to £448m in December and £446m in Jan-

Although the main thrust of the Chancellor's Budget plans for National Savings is bound to be granny bond changes, in-cluding possibly a clearer indication of whether a bonus will be paid at the end of five years, new developments should not

be ruled out. Part of that £3,000m extra money from National Savings could come from oil bunds. The talks between the Treasury and British National Oil Corpora-tion about how the small saver can participate in the benefits of North Sea oil are not com-plete, but the bonds could be on sale in post offices before the end of the year.

Another candidate under review which might appear in the Budget is a National Savings interest-bearing security— a noticeable gap in the NS repertoire since the British Savings Bonds were axed a couple

of years ago.
With or without these products, there does not seem too much doubt that National Savings will reach its desired target of £18,400m total savings by the end of March 1982. Granny bonds may not be an outright winner at the moment, but it is a tap to be turned on at any time by subsequent al-terations in the age and size

## Business Diary: Punch-prop and Judy • Bandits aloft

avid Howell, the Energy scretary, is no pin-up with itain's miners at the oment: not so with his oppote number in Canada, who ems to have been chosen by emier Pierre Trudeau just cause she—yes, she—would t along with the dominion's

Judy Erola (below) is mada's Minister of State ines, and her femininity, and vacity which make her a good ibassador to this vital Cana-

om Sudbury, northern stario, the world's most im-tiont nickel-smelting town, d both her grandfather and e husband once worked down e mine. Mrs Erola's portfolio includes ch hifalutin' stuff as "mineral d energy technology develop-mt" but her personal priority

to improve the health and



anadian Mining Minister Judy

Having, like everybody else on this occasional publication, received my cards twice in the last two years, I was not too surprised to get a third

lot yesterday. This time, however, the cards came in a box rather than in an envelope; for they are a new version (top right) of my present calling card

The cards were sent as a surprise prezzie by Peter Royle, a director of the London printers

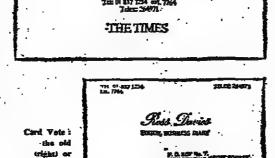
In an article I wrote last month Royle des-cribed my present card—the standard Times issue—as "terrible". So too, since that article, has reader R. F. Bond of Wolverhampton. an industry are more importing than her links with mining elf.

She comes of Finnish stock of Sudbury, northern stario, the world's most important nickel-smelting town.

Too modest to send me his own card, Bond none the less described my present card as "an exposition in miniature of the Big Bang theory"—all items of essential information other than my name wanting to get as far away from me as possible.

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Now I find that there have been half a dozen or more replacement Times card designs around for ages but during the Thomson ownership of the paper nobody could decide which it was to



Curses. Singapore Airlines to introduce seven one-armed bandits on its B-747s from this June if a two months in-flight survey "on the merits of in-flight entertainment proyes

The silent machines will be battery-operated and parti-tioned off from the passenger cabin in the rear of the economy-class section. Initially they will be installed on the trans-Pacific routes but beware, they may spread later to the

ondon route. Max Cole, Singapore Airlines spokesman in London says: "We have the world exclusive rights to these machines and no other airline will, be able to have them." So there is still hope yet that they may not spread.

An inauspicious early public appearance for Pat Lowry in his new role as chairman of the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbi-tration Service.

Lowry, the former personnel director of BL, has just taken over at Acas following the retirement of Jim Morrimer, and was to have been the lead speaker at a conference in London next week entitled "Redundancy: the crisis of the

Croner Publications, have can-celled the conference because of "an response". unacceptable low Conferences manager, R. J. Ware says: "Our subscribers clearly regard redundancy as a negative issue."

But now the organizers,

Now that Dimple Haig is being revived in Britain, what chance that Johnnie Walker will come striding back into our lives aboard his Red Label?

Though both brands were withdrawn from the British market by DCL for similar reasons and ar the same rime. reasons and ar the same time-in 1977, when the European Commission objected to the whiskies being sold at higher wholesale prices in Britain than on the Continent—Johnnie Walker seems destined to continent. tique his long-running peregrin-

ations in exile.

DCL admits that Red Label's intended successor, John Barr, is nowhere near replacing the million cases a year it was selling. Brands like Bell's and Famous Grouse have reaped the

dle class Belgian life is under attack. The recommended retail price for bread is being under-cut by a third by GB, the country's biggest supermarket

For years the bread price in Belgium has been sacrosanct. An impressive lobby of independent bakers, backed by the Ministry of the Middle Classes and the bulk of solid bourgeois opinion has maintained the price at a hefty 34.50 francs or 43p for the standard 800 gramme.loaf. As a redard 800 gramme loaf. As a result, thousands of small bakers have prospered in a country that has become a model for deindustrialization and rising unemployment.

But this idyll of petty bourgeois endeavour may now become a thing of the past. The independent bakers are already speaking of a bread price war while the supermarket "war" while the supermarket chain is reporting that sales are rising every day with demand outstripping supply.

Sociologists think that GB's success with its low price bread is a clear indicator of the depth of the recession. in Belgium. But the well heeled middle classes in Brussels are concerned that there could be a sharp drop in the number of cake shops in the capital.

Out of place: reader P. C. J. Nair writes from Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, to say that he remem-bers seeing in Penang the adjoining signboards of a tuilor and a drycleaner. The former said Wee Kian Fatt, and the latter Son Kian Wee.

Ross Davies

# BOC International

# First Quarter's Results

# BOC International Ltd.

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	(Cmillion)	(£million)
	1980	1979
Sales	303.5	289.9
Tradingprofit	29.5	25.3
Lessinterest	14.9	12.9
Profit before tax	14.6	12.4
Lesstax	6.5	5.3
Profitaftertax	. 8.1	7.1
Less minority interests	2.3	1.6
Earnings	- 5.8	5.5
Earnings per share (net basis)	1.77 <sub>P</sub>	1.69p

 On a Current Cost Accounting basis Profit Before Tax was £14.9 million (CCA figure for the comparable quarter of 1979 was £12.4 million).

For full text, including condensed balance sheet at 51 December, 1960, write or phone investor Felations Dept. BOC International Ltd., Hammers mith House, London W6 9DX, Telephone: 61-748 2020.

Stock markets

## Selective buying prolongs rally in equities

Selective buying helped equities to maintain their technical rally vesterday despite the escalation of the miners' strike.

Dealers remained optimistic that a solution could be found and were also encouraged by news that the talks with the Government had been brought forward. So, after a cautious start, prices pushed ahead on selective buying of second liners in a thin market. Sentiment was also helped by the first quarter figures from BOC International, at the upper end of most expectations, with the shares rising 2p to 120p, after

However, confidence took knock when news that F. W. Woolworth was about to cut prices by up to 50 per cent in order to reduce stocks sent a shock wave through the stores sector. Dealers reported panic selling of most of the leading with Woolworth shares dipping 3p to 54p.

Business after hours recov ered slightly, but investors adopted a cautions attitude ahead ahead of President Reagan's first budget. Oil shares suffered a slight reaction better. after a firm start with jobbers well aware of the consequences should his speed be as constro-versial as forefast in some

expected to play an important part when dealings resume in Landon today.

The FT Index, which had been as high as 5.9 at 11 am, closed with a rise of 3.8 on the

Investors again returned to the government securities market vesterday shead of any announcement of a cut in the MLR later today and reports that inflation should bottom out by he spring. Buyers pushed prices higher in generally thin trade and the government broker was able to activate some of the new tap Treasury 12 per cent 1986 at £20 1/16.

shorts earlier rises of around £1 finally gave way to profit taking and the list closed with gains of up to £1/16.

Leading industrials made good headway after a slow start but closed off the top. Metal Box rose 10p to 190p ahead of news about further redundancies. Fisons also recovered after recent weakness, climbing Sp to 138p, in a hin market, as Distillers added 3p to 190p despite earlier reports that distillers were running at only 50 per cent of capacity. Else-where, Lucas Industries hard-5p to 168p on news of its solar energy venture with BP,

Note the call option activity in Turner & Newall. The shares closed last night at 73p and now hover just 3p off the low for the year. Observers say that full-year profits, due on March will be better than expected.

Smaller improvements were seen in ICI at 294p, Beecham at 180p, Unilever at 455p and GKN at 149p, all 2p to 3p

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lower prices cast a cloud over the stores sector with dealers fearing a new round of price wars: Heavy selling was

reported first thing but prices appeared steadier at the close. Among the more badly affected was Boots, 3p lower at 242p, while Marks & Spencer on 121p and GUS " A " on 480p reverted to unchanged after earlier falls. Speculative buying lifted Barker & Dobson 3 p higher at 16p.

In foods Dalgety's impressive first half performance was rewarded with a 6p rise to 280p with Reckitt & Colman still making the most of the cheaper pound up 4p at 196p. British Sugar held firm at 268p after announcing the loss of 750 jobs earlier in the week, but J. Sainsbury lost another 50 to 346p after an adverse broker's circular. Trusthouse Forte gained 2p at 192p on the back

of the annual report.

Denbyware, where Minster
Assets holds 15 per cent, leapt
14p to 86p on news of the 80p cash offer from Crown House, 2p stronger at 59p. Meanwhile, in engineering F. Pratt dipped 5p to 110p as hopes of a full capital restructuring.

Latest results

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Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Ellere shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net divipretax and earnings are net. \*Gross revenue. †First quarter ‡Loss.

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BPC retreated 21p to 131p after adverse comment about he rescue operation planned able comment lifted Illingworth
Morris 2:p to 16p and Lister
2p to 43p while Vinten, up 8p
to a new high of 206p, and
Geers Gross, up 5p at 71p, continued to make the most of recent recommendations.

Speculative attention lifted Conder International 10p to to the first that the state of to 153p after recent weakness over predicted losses.

Sumrie advanced 2p to 42p as Mr Harvey Michael Ross increased his stake to 10.1, per cent and PMA Holdings excent and PMA Holdings expanded 4p to 31p on its disposals and sale and leaseback details. G.M. Firth improved 7p to 67p ahead of figures and planned layoffs and Sidlaw Industries rose 3p to 121p after the chairman's bullish remarks. But shares of Change Wares were suspended at 51p pending were suspended at 51p pending

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figures were judged acceptable and the shares advanced 4p to 59 p with Eleco adding 1p to 61p for a similar reason, However, Birmid Qualcast's full-year loss and omitted dividend left the shares 1p lower at 211p while Securitor and Security Services both shed 5p to 183p after disappointing statements.

Oils encountered nervous ofefrings towards the close in expectation of President Reagan's speech BP slipped 2p to 390p along with Shell at 398p as Ultramar dipped 5p to 458p and Lasmo 7p to 632p.

Aurong second liners
Berkeley Exploration was
wanted at 238p but NCC Energy
eased 5p to 99p on its United tates acquisition.

Rubbers encountered a new wave of speculative buying London Sumatra leapt 15p to

Boosey & Hawkes, the music publishers with a new chief executive, is thought to be on a ecovery tack. But some fairly heavy buying over the last couple of days, sending the price to a new "high" of 146p, suggests there is something more in the wind. The Board says: "We can't understand it."

375p on hopes of an improved offer. Castlefield rose 35p to 510p. Malaysia 12p to 175p, 510p. Malaysia 12p to 175p, and Malakoff 6p to 125p, Assam Trading "B" was again wanted on reflection of its property interests, rising 7p to 69p.

Equity turnover on February 17 was £104.618m (16,451 bar-sains). Active stocks recently

gains). Active stocks yesterday, according to the Exchange Telegraph, were Grand Met. Boots, Associated Dairies, GEC, GUS "A", Sears, RTZ, BP, Shell, Acrow, ICI, Metal Box Plessey, Reckitt & Colman and BAT. Tradede options: Dealers re-

ported the quietest day in months as total contracts fell to only 290 of which Grand Mer attracted 57. Traditional options saw calls made in Inveresk on 4p. Bur-mah on 16 p and Charterhall

# Securicor 14 pc ahead but shares lose some ground

Be Rosemary Unsworth Securicor Group managed to

maintain the profits improvement of the first half through to the end of the year, despite the impact of the recession on

Pretax profits rose by 14 per cent from £6.9m to £7.9m in the year ending September 29, 1980, but turnover advanced by 23 per cent from £142m, to £174m. Security Services, which is 52 per cent owned by the group, showed a 16 per cent increase in pretax profits to by 21 per cent to £164m.

But the group slightly dis appointed the stock market by raising its total dividend by a bare 10 per cent from 2.1p gross to 2.3p, with the final up from 1.45p to 1.58p. The "A"

ordinary shares dipped 5p to 183p on the news.

Mr. Peter Smith, chairman, said that Securicor's international division, which operates through 16 separate companies." had shown the greatest increase in profit-ability. It grew from £978,000 to £1.3m, out pacing any other single part of the group. Ex-change translation lost the group more than 5200,000.

security side and parcel service, which together account for two thirds of group profits, showed a 9 per cent increase from 53.6m to £3.9m in the United Kingdom. Finance investments and insurance rose from £1.6m to £2m, reflecting the continu-ing fall in the cost of insurance resulting from the drop in the frequency of criminal attacks on the cash-carrying business. There was also growth in the alarm side of the operation, which contributed above \$200,000, while the recession left its mark on the static guard



Vir Peter Smith, chairman of Securicor Group,

operations as companies made

The property and botel side showed a decline from £705,000 to £588,000, as the problems common to the rest of the motor, trade affected the Ford dealership. But body building improved its contribution to the division.

Mr Smith added that the industrial security operation had also absorbed development costs on the new freight ser vice which was performing roughly in line with expecta-The difficulties in the parcels side, apparent during the first half, had been cradiby improved market share.

The group reached the year end with a £3m improvement in its cash balances bringing them cautious about the current year saying that it hoped for a reasonable increase bearing in mind the economic climate, although it remained poised to make further acquisitions.

#### De Beers reduces offerings

De Beers is reducing the number of stones on offer at its current sight, according to dia-mond traders in Loudon. The reduction is estimated at around 20 per cent.

The reduction occurs against the background of a generally depressed diamond market. Low retail sales of jewelry have caused high diamond stocks in

Beers, said yesterday: "We are Ircland, for £2.55m. It sold a doing no more than carrying 7.16 per cent stake in Aranout the traditional policy in Energy for £2.48m yesterday.

The "spokesman We're not recession proof. All we can do is hang on until demand returns." He confirmed that this week's sight is smaller than recent ones. A sight is an offering by De Beers to diamond traders of uncut stones. There are 10 sights a

Interest rates will Squeezing
Wedgwood

By Peter Wainwright
Wedgwood, the fine bone
ching group founded in 1759,
pleasantly surprised the stock

pleasantly surprised the stock market vesterday with its figures for the 39 weeks to December 27. Sales rose by 12 per cent to £78.2m, cloaking a fall in volume terms, but profits, before interest and tax, inches held their ground as £5. just held their ground at £6m against £6.13m in the same weeks the year before.

By contrast, operating profits n the 26 weeks to September 27 last came out at £3.2m, against £3.58m, But dear money is still hurting the group,
Interest charges rose from
£1.57m to £2.41m, so that pretax
profits in the 39 weeks fell from £4.55m to £3.62m, which com-pares with the £5.81m made over the full year to March 29, 1980. Tax fell from £1.1m to

£853,000, so that net profits finished £620,000 lower at £2.77m. Extraordinary items; however, absorbed £692,000, reflecting adjustments in the borrowings due to variations in exchange rates and losses from the sale of Galway Crystal, [214]

totalling £556,000. The upshot was that earnings per share slipped only from 9.1g. observers to hope for a main-tained final dividend of 3.46p. Wedgwood has been punished hard by the strong pound and dear money. Three fifths of its china is exported and half of that goes to North America. The recent strength of the dof lar against the pound came too late to benefit the latest figures and the file. which show that the group is now starting to benefit from streamlining. Natural wastage [1] [1] [1]

and a few redundancies have taken the world-wide labour [5]; [7] force down from 11,250 to 9,500 in .18 months, and the group has also come to grips with stock levels and borrow-ings, which have fallen. It has also been busy opening up man-kets in Japan, the Middle East, Singapore and Germany.

The cost-cutting programme is being "intensified", and, depending on the Budget, theremay be several hundred more redundancies.

Demand, Sir Arthur Bryan, chairman, reports, held up well despite recent price increases. But he complains that profit margins cannot be maintained in the face of strong oversess competitors

#### Silvermines buys Marathon stake:

Silvermines, the Dublin-based mining and energy investment the cutting centres.

But a spokesman for the Diamond Trading Company, a London selling organization closely associated with De area off the south coast of

Silvermines still owns 10.2 per cent of Aren and intends in remain its largest single share holder. Mr Ted Russell is chair also share two more directors Silvermines will pay \$5.78n to Cambridge Royalty of House

ton, Texas, for the 24.7 pe cent stake in the Maratho Royalty concession's producin area, the Kinsale Head ga field, and for half of Cambridg Royalty's share of the royalt on the non-producing acressi

#### Morsina raises stake in Pennine

By Our Financial Staff Pennine Commercial Hold-ings, the former motor dealer aggressively expanding into property, announced yesterday that Morsina, an offshoot of the private Isle of Man-based Savings and Investment Bank, has bought a further 2.75m shares, taking its holdings to

Two months ago Morsina sold about 3m shares as part of the settlement of Pengine's purchase of a chain of 11 petrol stations in the North West and Yorkshire for £600,000. At that shares.

It is understood that Morsina's latest stake has come from Post Dyne, an Isle of Man two trusts. Last July, Post Dyne let it be known that it was holding on to its sharesin total, nearly a third of Pen-nine—which it received after the motor group bought an Accrington Housing Estate.

Meanwhile, Pennine has Issued its shareholders' circular for the purchase from Prenwain Developments of an industrial estate and houses in Greater Manchester and a number of residential development sites.

## Denbyware board likely to resist £3.4m offer from Crown House

By Rosemary Unsworth and pottery manufacturer, has received the long-rumoured bid from Crown House, its biggest shareholder.

Crown, which holds 29.9 per cent, has offered 80p cash for the remaining shares, valuing the group at £3.4m. Denbyware's price immediately rose 8p to 80p on the news.

However, another big shareholder, Minster Assets, of
which Denbyware's chairman,
Mr George Robinson is a direc-

tor, immediately bought a further 150,000 shares at 80 7/32p, raising its stake from 11.85p to 15.34 per cent.

Another Deubyware director, Mr N. D. Wood, his family and associates, account for a further

25 per cent of the equity. Later the price went to 88p and closed at 86p, 14p better. Denbyware's board is holding a meeting this morning to discuss its reaction to the offer but it was clear yesterday that it would be extremely unlikely to accept it at present levels. meantime, shareholders

were instructed to take no

Mr A. Barker, Denbyware's managing director, said that he had not heard of Minster's increased holding until after the shares had been purchased. level is reached.



Patrick Edge-Partington, chairman of Crown House.

margins had been sacrificed, with borrowings at around 90 per cent of shareholders' funds, group was still working a

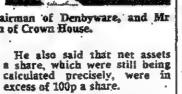


Elsewhere in Business News dividends dividend by 1.428. Profits are shown

Mr George Robinson (left), chairman of Denbyware, and Mr

He said that although trading had been hard recently and

the group had always been aware that a 29.9 per cent holding might eventually result in a takeover offer, Denbyware had been surprised by Crown House's bid, which would go unconditional if the 50 per cent



Crown House's financial advisers, Gresham Trust, said that Mr Barker said that although Denbyware would fit in well with the group's glassware operation, particularly for mar-keting. Denbyware's Inter-national Ceramics which last year contributed £350,000 to the £604,000 pretax result, was not the main interest as it was a 50 per cent associate.

#### High Swiss rates

Four of the big Swiss banks have raised their interest rates on customer time deposits with maturities from three to 12 months to six per cent from 5.5

#### £1m Change Wares cash injection

Change Wares, the troubled wiremesh maker and steel stock-holder, called a halt to share dealings yesterday and an-nounced that it was considering proposals for a capital recon-struction and an injection of fresh cash.

It is understood that the group is negotiating a scheme under which institutions and individuals, including directors, would subscribe for 10m new ordinary shares at par raising

A spokesman for Change Wares advisers, Samuel Montagu said: "We are still nego tiating, but because of the sensitivity of the share price we thought it best to suspend the shares. We are not in a position to give any further details, but a wider picture will emerge when the circular to shareholders is sent out, hopefully in a few weeks."

At the suspension price of 6p, Change. Wares has a stock market capitalization of just over £1m.
Change Wares, which went public in 1970, hit a profits peak in 1974 of £478,000 but plunged

into losses of £665,000 by 1977. In June of that year Mr Geoffrey Rose joined the group and was chairman until January last year when he and five other directors resigned in what was described as an amicable part ing. In 1979 group losses were

Mr. Rose was replaced by Mr. Harold Chaffe. Last October he told shareholders at the annual meeting that trading continued to be difficult and it was point-less to encourage the belief that the company would earn a profit

## Briefly

Greenbank Trust! Revenue 1980 £41,400 (£33,000) after tox of £18,989 (£17,982). EPS 5.18p (4.9p). NAV per share 1112p (922p). In view of proposed bid by Malton Financial Service decision on dividend is being deferred until new board has taken control. taken control.

Taken control.

Ruo Estates Holdings: Turnover for year to June 30, £1.22m (£1.28m1. Premx profit £131,000 (£500,500). EPS 7.4p (£3.0p). Dividend 1.43p gross (£.42p). Yeoman Investment Trust: Dividend for 1980 18.2p gross (£3.26p). Pretax revenue £1.21m (£1m). EPS 13.38p (£1.11p). Comparisons exclude special dividend received from Shell of £92,006 gross and a special dividend. of 1.05p paid in distribution. NAV per share 307.1p (£51.4p). Free scrip issue one-forone proposed.

Portign and Colonial Investment Trust: Dividend for 1980, 527p (4.21p) gross. Pretax income \$7.76m (56.86m). Earnings a share C7.76m (16.86m). Earnings a share 3.76p (3.26p). NAV per share prior charges at hominal value 160p (113.9p) and at market value 164.4p (118.7p). Proposed free scrip issue of one-for-one. Weir Group: Proposed early repayment of the outstanding 1395,500 of 71 per cent unsecured Loan stock 1938/93 and 1673.615 of 9 per (ant unsecured loan stock 1938/93, both at par. General Consolidated Investment Trust: Total dividend 8.42p (7.28p) gloss for 1980. Pretax-revenue f1.8m (£1.5m). EPS 6.24p (112.3p).

ondon and Lonond Investment Trust: Pretax revenue £11.6m (£12.01m). Eps 4.16p (4.28p). Nav per share 130p 101p). Comparative earnings figure includes non recurring dividends from a number of companies previously restricted by legislation from declaring higher dividends. Divi-

recurring dividends from a number of companies previously restricted by legislation from declaring higher dividends. Dividend 5.42p gross (5.85p).
Killinghali (Rubber) Development Syndicate: Acquisitions by Castlefield (Klang) Rubber Estares and Hongkong (Selangor) Rubber of 6.389 and 9.361 shares on February 17. Harrison and Crosfield now has an interest in 321,000 shares 40.77 per cent;

sound business and the invest-

ment in Autovox, an Italian corporation. The resulting after-

tax credit to earnings was \$2.3m.

special charge of \$7.9m for the

disposition of the company's electronic timepiece component business and other businesses.

Kerr-McGee budget.

Kerr-McGee said its 1981 capital and exploration budget would be more than \$750m (\$332m), a 30 per cent increase over 1980.

The 1981 capital and exploration budget includes energy

related exploration and devel-

opment projects worth \$700m.

The 1979 results included a

year in London. De Beers stresses, however.

that sight prices have not been cut. In the normal way, dealers

#### **ELECO HOLDINGS LIMITED**

Interim Statement Half Year to 31st December 1980

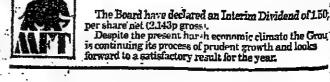
The profits for the first six months held up well despite trading conditions. However, owing to the deepening of the recession, particularly in the construction industry, it is unlikely that the profits in a construction industry, it is unlikely that the profits in a construction industry, it is unlikely that the profits in a construction industry, it is unlikely that the profits in a construction industry, it is unlikely that the profits in a construction industry, it is unlikely that the profits in a construction industry, it is unlikely that the profits in a construction industry, it is unlikely that the profits in a construction industry. the second six months will reach those reported for the first half of the year. Although the present trading, climate is bleak, every effort is being made to minimise its effects. Moreover, comfort can be taken in the knowledge that the growth of our property portfolio, "will, in due time, more than compensate for any downturn in trading profits. Frank Webster, Chairman

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#### Manson Finance Trust Record Results

Interim Results

•	£'000	£
Group Revenue	2,466	1,8
Net Profit before Tax	526	4
Taxation	273	2
Profit after Tax	253	2
Retained Surplus	111	
Earnings per Share	2.7p	



per share net (2.143p gross).

Despite the present harsh economic climate the Ground. is continuing its process of prudent growth and looks forward to a satisfactory result for the year.

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# Food and Agricultural Products

- Half-year profits show improvement at £16.2 million.
- Interim dividend 11p per share (1979-11p).
- Spillers is fulfilling the hopes which prompted its acquisition.
- Milling had an excellent half-year, as did the UK Agriculture and Food divisions. Chemicals Division suffered the general problems

of its industry and Malting profit fell, in line with the downturn in brewing and distilling.

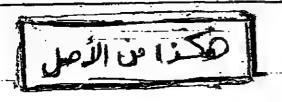
- Rural agency profits in Australia and New Zealand were good.
- Canadian lumber again produced excellent results.

	Half-Year to 31 Dec 1980 Unaudited	Half-Year to 31 Dec 1979 Unaudited	Year to 30 June 1980
	£m	£m	£m
Profit before interest and tax	31.0	28.1	59.4
Group profit before tax	16.2	15:7	33.4
Group profit after tax	9.2	8.9	18.4.
Earnings per £1 ordinary share	10.9p	15.7p	28.3p
Total group borrowings	£230m	£248m	£218m

Copies of the full Interim Report can be obtained from the Secretary, Dalgety Limited, 19 Hanover Square, London W1R 9DA.



**DALGETY INTERIM REPORT 1981** 



## Net profits up \$30m at Motorola

#### International .

Motorola said the results for

tronics and appliances group, has reported net profits of \$186.1m (£82.3m) for 1980, up harply from \$154.3m the year before. Sales rose to \$3,100m from \$2,700m.

from \$2,700m.

Fourth quarter net profits jumped to \$49.1m from \$36.3m on sales of \$803m against \$762.8m.

Motoroia sale ine results for 1930 were after a special charge of \$13.1m before a tax credit of \$15.4m caused by the disposition of certain assets of

Downturn at Whirlpool Net profits of Whirlpool, the · For the latest quarter the Michigan-based home appliance manufacturer, slipped to \$101.7m (£45m) in 1980 from \$110.9m the year before despite

fourth quarter. Sales for the year were down fractionally at Net profits in the fourth quarter jumped to \$34.3m from

sharp improvement in the

#### \$25.8m in 1979, on sales of \$553m, against \$519m. Dodwell sells to CY Tung

The CY Tung Group said in Hongkong it had bought Dodwell and Co's 49 per cent interest in Seapac Container Service for an undisclosed sum, to make Seapac a wholly owned sub-

In December, the CY Tung and Incheape groups jointly purchased 74 per cent of Pacific Seascape, Seapac's original name, from Scattain Lines of the United States.

company also reported net earnings from affiliated companies of \$304m and other income of \$10.9m. A year ago net earnings from affiliated companies was \$3.5m and other income was \$1.2m. For the year, income from.

affiliated companies fell to S12m from \$17.7m, but other income soured to \$29.2m from

Group already owned 26 per cent of Seascape through its subsidiary, Dodwell Shipping.
Dodwell will continue to act as agent for Seapac, which will still operate from its present headquarters in Oakland, California, a spokesman for CY Tung said Seapar operates eight con-

At that time, the Incheape

tainer vessels, which serve Far East and United States west coast ports.

US Realty Two groups of investors, one in Hongkong and the other m Chicago, say they hold a com-bined 20.9 per cent stake in United States Realty Invest-ments and will seek representation on United States Realty's

In a Securities and Exchange Commission filing. Central Park of Hongkong said it had acquired a 17.1 per cent stake for about S8.24m (£3.6m). SZRL Investments of Chicago said it had acquired a 3.8 per cent stake for about \$1.8m.

Damson Oil

Damson Oil reports a firstquarter net income of 51.06m (5469,000) against 5585,000. Revenue rose to \$6.6m

#### INANCIAL NEWS

#### vered still backs Francis bid

loss-making engineering lipp Evered, has again ised shareholders to accept 22p a share offer from nois Industries, following firm rejection of the bid by di Arabian shareholders 1 a 29.96 per cent stake. The r closes on February 24 and nois is expected to announce by that it will not be raised. It field said it is becoming r Field said it is becoming e difficult to predict any irin in demand and would e shareholders and em-

e shareholders and emees best if Evered became
of Francis.
he Saudis, Zahid Industries
Investments and its assostogether with Mohamed
moud Badr, who have paid
o 25p a share, do not intend
ing an outright offer but
to the line spand Evered t to help expand Evered ugh their Saudi connec-

nother Saudi. Mr Yeslam Ladin, is thought to head set SA—the Swiss comwhich recently disclosed 7 per cent stake in Evered. ever, the Takeover Panel no evidence of a concert giving rise to a bid under 34 of the Takeover Code. ed shares stood at 231p erday,

#### idend raised

Spicure picure Holdings is still ing ahead after achieving rd results in 1979-80. the balf-year to December ist, pretax profits rose from ,000 to £423,000 on turn-up from £3.89m to £5.45m. ever, Mr R. J. Brealey, the man, tells shareholders because of sculistings and because of acquisitions and sals last year, the results

are not wholly comparable with the previous year. Net tangible assets attributable to share-holders have continued to rise and the board confirmed its confidence in the outcome of the current year's trading by lifting the interim dividend from 0.57p to 0.71p gross. Epicure covers hotels, construction industry services,

property investment and finan-cial services.

#### Ashley Industrial optimistic .

Having completed its re-organization, the board of Ashley Industrial Trust thinks that the group is likely to achieve increased turnover in achieve increased turnover in the remaining subsidiaries during the financial year to April 30. The directors feel justified in approving the payment of an interim dividend of 1.5p per share, to shareholders and intend to recommend in due course the payment of a final dividend of 2.0p making a total of 3.5p for the year.

of 3.5p for the year. The chairman hopes that in the course of the year to April 1982 an opportunity to expand the group by another acquisition will arise.

#### US Debenture Corp revenue up for year

United States Debenture sales for the same period last Corporation reports a gross year. revenue for the year to January 31 at £6,480m, against £5,587m. This was struck before deducting debenture interest of £101,000, the same as last year, and loan stock in-terest at £20,000 against terest £32,000 The profit attributable to sbareholders

£3.9m compared with £3.28m. Earnings per share rose from 4.81p to 5.75p. The ner asset value per share was 133.6p against 118.9p). The gross dividend was held at 7.99p. Interim profits dip

#### at Eleco Holdings

at Eleco Holdings

Pretax profits of Eleco Holdings, the St Albans electrical engineering and construction group, slipped to 5773,000 in the six months to December 31 against £810,000 the year before. Turnover was slightly ahead at £10.4m, against £9.9m.

The interim dividend is being maintained at 1.43p gross.

Mr Frank Webster, chairman, said that profits had held up well in difficult conditions. "However, owing to the deepening of the recession, particularly in the construction industry, it is unlikely that the profits in the second six months will teach those reported in the first half", he said.

#### Martin Newsagent

pushes sales up 13pc Mr J. B. H. Martin, chairman of Martin the Newsagent told the annual meeting that retail sales, exclusive of VAT, for the first 19 weeks of the year to February 8, 1981, were £40.85m, an increase of 13 per cent over

With regard to expansion he said: "We expect to open 12' new sites, and redevelop six existing branches during our financial year to September 27.
These will add some 48,000 so ft to our retail trading area. Our policy of divesting branches which become uneconomic will

#### iness appointments

#### airman named Hampton old mining

d Wakehurst has been ated a director and elected nan of Hampton Gold Mining after the resignation of Mr

K. P. Robinson has become ing director of Marconi unication Systems in succes-o Mr T. Mayer, who leaves mpany to take up another the electronics industry... Nigel Jackson has been made director of Farm Feed

Brian Jarman is now a directhe Medical Sickness and Life Assurance

John Lamb has become manager and representative tional Westminster Bank's opened representative office indinavis, based in Stock-

#### gy Capital in and deal

gy Capital-where Mr Ferguson Lacey iced yesterday that he en appointed chairman-United States subsidiary Capital Resources Inc. pay Dr Paul Temple, a r and chief executive of Capital, £170,000 cash ve him 350.000 new EC for £847,000 worth of in the Western United The deal is subject to olders' approval and if Energy Capital ces Inc will issue shares some £2.5m.

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# COLLEGE DEGREE

#### Pick and shovel give way to computer age

I regretfully have to report that the old-time prospector is dead. That colourful figure of a thousand gold rushes and questions, to which he need minor movie parts is to be replaced by a computer programme. Now any geologist who happens to have a computer terminal and a telephone about his person can summon up an almost instant assessment of his find's potential, using only basic information.

The new service is called "Explore" and is offered by Tymshare, an American computer services company, Tymshare is a publicly-quoted com-pany in America, with a 1980 turnover of about \$240m turnover of about \$240m (£106m). Its British subsidiary, Tymshare UK, is 33 per cent
owned by Unilever Computer
Services, a subsidiary of the
huge food and trading group.

Tymshare's program does not really replace the prospec-tor. What it does replace is his judgment at that critical moment when be-or more likely these days a companyhas a find but needs to evaluate its potential before deciding whether to proceed it is a tool for pre-feasibility study, giving a broad picture of the deposit's characteristics.

Explore provides this assessment by evaluating the deposit from four points of view: the mining method, capital and operating costs, minimum reoperating costs, minimum re-serves and cash flow. In doing so it offers the geologist and his head office two features unique to mining evaluation programmes: a data base of costs, which is revised every to work backwards from a desired rate of return, grade or deposit size to the mine characteristics required to meet those objectives.

The trick is that it enables geologists to think financially with only minimal information about their deposit and the comabout their deposit and the com-pany's financial goals. In com-puter jargon it is "friendly" and "interactive"; to you and me, it speaks English and gives direct and immediate answers. One great advantage, as seen by possible customers, it that an exploration manager and head office can acquire quickly and simultaneously the same information and conclusions.

Apart from giving answers on mining methods (for example, open pit or underground), operating and capital costs based on American figures, and the return either desired or obtained, Explore also provides cash flow analyses along normal

The latter service is secondary to the main purpose which, Tymshare stresses, is prefeasibility analysis. More elaborate financial services are offered by other companies, but in any case are better suited to a later stage of project develop-

The exploration manager who plugs in his terminal from any

questions, to which he need provide only simple answers: grade estimated from drillings, deposit size and more subjec tive answers to questions about the location of the site of rock

One advantage of the system which also saves money—is that the user can skip parts, substitute his own information -for example on costs-and

#### **Mining**

the programme over say

eral days. But it is here that the two chief objections arise. Since launching the system in this country and America at the beginning of the year, Tymshare has obviously tried to sell it to mining companies. Mr Andrew Shaw-Hamilton, manager of Tymshare United Kingdom's energy division, claims that the service is much cheaper than equivalents. A full would cost program run between £1,500 and £5,000 and take less than a day. Similar work by a consultant would cost up to £15,000 and need two months. The subscription

to Tymshare is £50 a month. But possible users point our that costs can rise sharply if the program is used fre-quently, and especially if it is overridden. Big mining com-panies could find developing heir own programs cheaper. Nevertheless, smaller com-panies, without such internal capability, could prefer to use

All companies must consider, however, whether the data base and other assumptions are adequate to their needs. Costs are drawn from 50 American mines and updated twice a year in current rather than inflationadjusted prices. An instance of the other assumptions, of which there must necessarily be many is that a deposit with more than 300 feet of overburden is most likely to be exploited under

Yet it is still early days to judge the merits and unavoidable commonsense assumptions built in to the program. One early opinion might be that the quality of information reflects the type of decision required: What should we find and is the project worth pursuing?

These are the questions over which every prospector has agonized since mining began. When the next mining boom gets under way, the wellequipped prospector will be packing a computer terminal alongside his pick and shovel.

> Michael Prest Mining Correspondent

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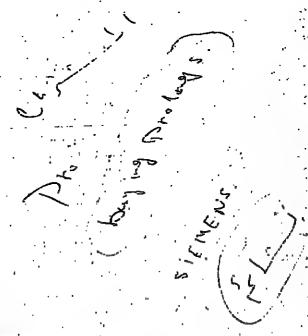
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69 35 81 181	Unilock Holdings Walter Alexander	39 103 262	=	3.0 5.7 12.1	7.7 5.5 4.6	6.0 5.7 4.3

#### ndex numbers for average earnings seasonally adjusted covered by monthly earnings inquiry released by the Department of Employment.

AVERAGE EARNINGS

	Index (Jan 1976 = 100)	previous 12 months	3 months at annualized rate %
1979	1		
Nov	162.1	19.2	22.4
Dec	164.5	19.7	30.5
1980			
Jan	164.2	20.2	14.6
Feb	169.0	18 6	18_2
March	172.9	20.3	22.1
April	175.3	21 3	29.9
May	177.0	21.3	20.3
June	182.3	21 7	23 5
July	182.8	18 9	18 2
PuA	187.6	21.7	25 2
Sept	194,1	26.1	28.5
Oct	190.6	20.1	13.2
Nov .	192.6	189	11.1
Dec (p)	195.5	19.4	5,0
(b) = big			

#### SIEMENS



Information for Siemens shareholders

# Siemens prepares for slower growth

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While new orders and sales increased during the first quarter of the current 1980/81 financial year, i.e. from 1st October to 31st December 1980, growth rates were below levels recorded for the comparable period a year ago. In view of the weakening world-economy, we foresee an even further slowdown over the remainder of the year.

New orders, which rose 12% worldwide for a total of £1,952m during the first three months of the current financial year, grew at a slower pace than last year when they increased 15% during the first quarter. With new orders valued at £ 922m, a gain of 9% vs. 20% last year, domestic business showed a clearly diminishing rate of improvement; International business on the other hand bettered last year's 10% growth, increasing 16% for a total of £1,030m for the period under review, While long-term major projects and systems business proved a good source of orders, electronic components and standard products, which are more sensitive to change's of economic climate, began showing signs of weakness. Among the orders of larger magnitude received from overseas customers were contracts for power generation and distribution systems for Saudi Arabia, five generators for the Taguarucu and Rosana hydroelectric power plants in Brazil, and local telephone cable networks for Egypt and Nigeria. In addition, the Medical Engineering Group was awarded several orders for computer tomograph units, while Kraftwerk Union received a commission to supply Spain with a 350-MW steam turbine set for its La Robia II power plant.

in £m	1/10/79 to 31/12/79	1/10/80 to 31/12/80	Change -
New orders	1,741	- 1,952	+12%
Domestic business International business	849 892	922 1,030	+ 9% +16%
Safes ** *********************************	**1.525	1,666	
Domestic business International business	685 840	'785 '881	+15% + 5%
In £m	30/9/80	31/12/80	Change
Order tocklog	9,400	9721	+-3%
Inventory	3.131	3.343	7%

Sales grew 9% for a total of £1,666m, a gain well below the 16% mark set during the first quarter of last year. Domestic business, with sales of £ 785m, brought a 15% increase, while international sales reached £ 881m, a 5% rise. The Medical Engineering Group and the Data and Information Systems Group showed the largest rates of growth. Inventory rose 7% for a total of £ 3,343m.

The total number of employees remained essentially unchanged during the first quarter of the current financial year. In the Federal Republic of Germany there was a loss of approximately 2,000 due to the scheduled departure of temporary student labour and normal fluctuation; abroad, there was a gain of about the same number owing to the incorporation into our statistics of personnel in the employ of companies acquired the previous year. Although the average number of employees was up only 3% over the first quarter figure for last year, employment cost was 12% higher, totalling £ 798m.

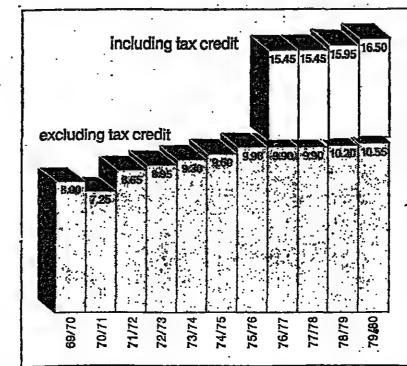
in thousands	30/9/80	31/12/80	Change
Employees	344	. 344 /	0%
Domestic operations International operations	235 109	233 111	- 1% + 2%
	1/10/79 to 31/12/79	1/10/80 to 31/12/80	Снапде
Average number of cuployees in thousands	to	to	Change

While spending for property, plant and equipment was 10% higher than for the same period last year, there were no major acquisitions during the first quarter. Thus, at £ 82m, total capital expenditure and investment was 6% less than the comparable figure for the preceding year.

In £m	1/10/79 to 31/12/79	1/10/80 to 31/12/80	Change
Capital expenditure and investment	87	32	- 13%
Net income after taxes.	35	30	
in % of sales	2.3	1.8	

The net margin - net income as a percentage of sales - was lower this year than last, namely 1.8% as compared with 2.3%, since the rising costs of wages and salaries, raw materials, purchases of semifinished and finished products, and external services could not be passed on to customers in the form of corresponding price increases. This was particularly true of international business where competition is becoming steadily greater.

All amounts translated at Frankfurt middle rate on C1st December 1980:



#### Adjusted dividend growth since 1970

If new shares are issued at subscription prices which are below the market price, the effect of such a capital increase for the shareholder is comparable to that of a bonus issue or an increase in the cash dividend. Siemens offered its shareholders new shares at a price of only DM 100 on five occasions in the past decade, as well as an issue of debentures with warrants. Only shareholders who exercised all their subscription rights secured the full benefit from the capital increases. The effect on the dividend can be seen most clearly in the example of a shareholder who; in every case of a rights issue, sells exactly the number of subscription rights needed in order to acquire with the proceeds new shares "for free." A shareholder proceeding in this way from 1970 to 1980 was able to increase his holdings of Siemens shares by 32% without investing additional capital. In this period his total dividend income also rose by the same percentage. The "adjusted" dividend per originally acquired share rose accordingly from DM 8 to DM 10.55. In fact, if the tax credit is included, it has more than doubled for shareholders who are liable to taxation in the Federal Republic of Germany.

Siemens AG

#### In Great Britain: Siemens Ltd.

Siemens House, Windmill Road, Sunbury-on-Thames,

#### MARKET REPORTS

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tons. Morning.—Cash wire bars.	004.50 Nov. 208.20, Jan. £102.0 Sales: 375 lots, WHEAT was har
£775.50-76; three months, £799.50- 800.00, Settlement, £776.00, Sales.	steady. — March, £109.70, March, £110.10; July, £116.00; Seel £99.5
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SUVER closed easter — Bullion market (Ekring levels).—Spot, 579 50p per troy ounce (United States cents eguivalent, 1516-90r: three monits, 597.70p /7.377,90c/ six months, 597.70p /7.377,90c/ six months, 597.70p /7.377,90c/ six months, 595.90p /11551-90c/ london Metal Exchange — Afternoon.—Cash. 586-86 50c. Sales, 42 lots of 10.000 (ray ounce each. Morning —Cash. 580-81.0c; three months, 589-98 50, 50tilement, 581.0p. Sales, 58 lots.  ALUMINIUM was speader at the close	firm in late trading
597.70p /2.371.90c1 six months, 615.00p /1.129.60c1; one year.	"Raw" sygar futures wer
Exchange — Afternoon — Cash. 568-	buoyant in London vesterda
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three months, 508-98 Sp. Settlement,	to their lowest levels since ear
ALUMINIUM was steadier at the close	Feb, basis near May at 524 per tonne. Traders noted the the market had staged a fu
resterory alimnos, Casa, 1931- 2.50 per torne; three months, 52.50 per torne; three months,	the market had staged a fu
ing.—Cash. £629-30.00; three months, £642-43 00 Settlement £650.00.	rally from average mid-da
Salos, 2.975 inunes, NICKEL closed sleadier.—\fternoon.—	losses of £5.60, to close near the session's "highs", with or
Cash. \$2,780-90 per tonne, three months. \$2,752-55, Sales, 210 tennes.	balance gains of £4.40 to £8.3
821.0p. Sales. 58 tols.  ALUMINIUM was steader at the cigse resterdey — Afternoon. — Cash. E031- 25.50 per tome: three months. E045-46.00. Sales. 3.125 tonnes. Moraling.—Cash. £629-30.00: three months. £642-45.00. Settlement. £650.00. Sales. 295 intentes. MICKEL closed steader.— Afternoon.—Cash. £781-90 per tonne. three months. £2.752-55. Sales. 210 tennes. Morriling.—Cash. £2.775-80: three months. £2.732-45. Settlement. £2.780. Sales. 90 tonnes.	per tonne.  Traders said that in addition
RUBBER was dull yesterday inches	to a constructive EEC white
58.40-58 70; April-June, 59.20-59.40; July-Sept. 62.70-62.80; Oct-Deg.	sugar tender result, sentimer had been bullishly influence by renewed buying interest b
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PUBBER PHYSICALS were dull	recent offtake by Egypt an
61.25-62.00; April, 61.65-62.00;	Peru.
March, 1014-1018; May, 1025-1027; July, 1035-1036, Sept. 1048-1050;	Traders said that Iran wa also constantly being mentione
Nov. 1051-1053; Jan. 1053-1079; March, 1051-1088 Sales; 1,205 loss.	as a potential white sugar buye
ARASICA Cofficials at 16,351 Feb.	against annual requirements of more than 500,000 tonne
June. 140.00-46.00, Aug. 110.00-47.00, Dec. 140.00-	Sentiment may have been fu
45 00 Feb. 140.00-45.00, Safet Fill.	ther boosted, if somewhat
RAI-882: July 907-008: Sept. 930-931:	Polish sugar requirements for
978-1005. Sales: 4.671 lots.	third quarter of 1981 involving
fraws was £10 00 lower at £245;	200,000 tonnes.
at 2276. Futures 12 per tonnel; March, 256,30-57,00; May, 252,00-62,5();	The morning market decline sharply on chart and stop-los
Jan. 241.00-41.25; March. 345.00-	selling and long liquidation
ARABICA IDITICIAIS AL 16.451; Feb.	partly reflecting the total pos
tone, Very sleady, ISA prices (Frb 17);	ing of 23 retenders against nea March, equal to 1,150 tonnes.
tones Feb. 116.00-121.50. April.	Lack of follow-through als
Aug. 127.50-128.60; 0cj. 128.50-	figured in the decline.
130.00-133 00, Sales, 159 lots,	72 72 .
rents per tile isleady:March, 549-550; May, 555-356; Aug, 562-564;	Eurosyndicat
DCI, 371-574; Dec 377-530, Jan. 378- 882; March, 379-332; May, 581-584;	The Eurosyndicat Index on European share prices was pu
GTAIN ITHE BALLET WHEAT	provisionally at 149.38 on Febru
SHICKEL closed steader   Alternoon.	ary 17 against 148.76 a weel earlier.
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Traders said that Iran was also constantly being mentioned as a potential white sugar buyer against annual requirements of more than 500,000 tonnes. Sentiment may have been further boosted if somewhat belatedly, by recent news of Polish sugar requirements for third quarter of 1981 involving 200,000 tonnes.

The morning market declined sharply on chart and stop-loss selling and long liquidation, partly reflecting the total posting of 23 retenders against near March, equal to 1,150 tonnes. Lack of follow-through also figured in the decline.

#### Eurosyndicat

The Eurosyndicat Index on European share prices was put provisionally at 149.38 on February 17 against 148.76 a week earlier.

#### Discount market

New York Montreal Amsterdam Brussels

Frankfurt Lisbon Madrid Milan Oslo Paris

Tokyo Vienna Zurich

Indices

Sterling 102.2
US dollar 100.2
Canadian dollar 84 T
Schilling 114.0
Belgian franc 107 9
Danish kroner 89.7
Deutsche mark 118.0
Swiss franc 91.4
Guilder 112 3
French franc 86.5
Lira 61.2
Yen 148.3

Based on trade weighted changes from Washington agreement December, 1971. Bank of England Index 100.

Belgian franc 39.7897 41.6757 Danish krone 7.7236 7.94329 Germad D-mark 2.48208 2.58765 French franc Dutch guilder 2.74362 2.81760 1rish punt 0.688201 0.986788 1157.79 1230.50

divergence limits.
Adjustment calculated by The Times.

16-17; one month, 17-174; three months, 172-178; six months, 172-174;

Euro-\$Deposits Gold

Copenhagen 15.07-21k Dublin 1.3245-3380p

10 50-55k

The flow of credit proved adequate yesterday as the banks squared their books for the regular mid-month make-up and the

Sterling: Spot and Forward

2350-2352ir 12.31%-32% 11.50-51f 10.52-53k 467-68y

Effective exchange rate compared to 1975, was down 4.3 at 102.2,

Market rates
(day s range)
(close)
February 18
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52.2530-2650
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79.75-857
15.07-21k
1.3245-3380p
1.3350-3360p
1.99.20p
128.40-131 10e
130.85-131.05e
198.10-199.20p
198.15-25p
2335-23581r
12.18-33k
12.31\*-32\*4k
12.31\*-32\*4k
11.38-51f
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**EMS Currency Rates** 

Market rates Market rates

#### Foreign exchange report

570-510y prem 32-36gro prem 64-54c prem

Although rallying from an fall in its "effective" exchange earlier, sharp decline vesterday, index at 102.2, compared with the dollar still ended widely lower.

Another markdown in Eurodollar deposit rates set the pattern for more profit-taking before President accomparity important accomparity. Speculation that the West Reagan's statement. important economic

1 month
0.50-0.60c disc
0.50-0.70c disc
25-13c prem
13-3c prem
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200-45ore prem
240-325ore disc
230-1855 prem
14-11gro prem

14-11gro prem 3-3c prem

**Dollar Spot** 

Rates

Ireland
+ Canada
Netherlands
Belgium
Denmark
west Germany
Portugal
Spain
Italy
Norway
France
Sweden

Switzerland

Speculation that the West German authorities may lift suthorities were able to keep to the sidelines. Some reserve assets were needed by the banks and houses were able to make good progress during the morning. The afternoon found the going a little less smooth, but books were mostly balanced within a band of 13 to 122 per cent.

Reagan's important economic German authorities may lift interest rates today prompted a further advance by the D-mark, which at one stage showed a 4.35 in labour relations background elsewhere in the United Kingdom.

The pound relinquished more ground to Europeao currencies and this was reflected by an 0.3 still ahead at 2.1865

#### Other

3 months	Markets		
2.30-2.40c disc	Australia	1.9545-1.9695	
2,60-2,75c dtac	Banrein	9.857-369	
5-4c prem	Finland	9.2915-9.3315	
7c prem-3c disc	Greece	116.50-118.50	
55-130ore disc	Hongkong	12.0925-12.1325	
20-45p disc	Iran .	Not available	
37=-27-pf prem	Kuwait	0.6235-0.6265	
95c prem-139c disc	Malaysia	5 1705-5.2005	
194-248¢ disc	Mexico	32.45-33.95	
31-34ir disc	New Zealand	2.4375-2.4575	
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6-5c prem	Singapore	4.7560-4.7860	
1045-1140nre disc	South Africa	1.7875-1.7825	
570-510v prem			

#### **Money Market** Rates Bank of England MLR14% (Last changed 24/11/86)

Clearing Banks Base Rate 14% Discount Mkt Loans's Oversight: High 134 Treasury Bills (Dis %)

Prime Bank Bills (Disc.) Tradet (Disc.)

2 months 127-123 3 months 133 3 months 123 4 months 123 6 months 123 6 months 123 113 113 6 Pireland quoted in US currency. ECU currency % change , change divergence central against from central adjusted; limit for plus minus | Local Authority Bends | 18-154 | 7 months | 13-124 | 7 months | 13-124 | 8 months | 13-124 | 9 months | 13-124 | 10 months | 13-124 | 10 months | 13-124 | 13 months | 13-124 | 12 months | 13-124 | 13 months | 13-124 | 12 months | 13-124 | 13 months | 13-124 | 13 months | 13-124 | 14 months | 13-124 |

Secondary Mkt, ECD Rates (f.)
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3 months 13<sup>1</sup>(e-13<sup>1</sup>), 12 months 12<sup>1</sup>-12<sup>1</sup>2 changes are for the ECU therefore positive change denotes weak Local Authority Market (%) 3 months 134 6 months 124 1 year 125 currency. "adjusted for sterling's weight in the ECU, and for the lira's wider Interbank Market (\*)

Gold

Greenight: Open 14-14- Close 13-13

I week 14-14- 6 months 12-1-2-14

Gold fixed: am. \$502 (an ounce); 3 months 13-1-3-15

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First Class Finance Houses (Mar. Rate%)

Sovereigns (new); \$125-127 (555-56),

Finance House Base Rate 15-9

#### Wall Street

New York, Feb 18.—Late gains by some glamour and blue chips pushed stock market prices higher in moderate trading after a mostly lackluster session.

Some mixed economic news was offset by signs of a further easing of interest rates, experts said. But they added that the continued sluggshi trading pace showed most investors were still worried about Congressional reaction to President Reagan's fiscal policy mes-sage to a joint session of Congress tought.

The D-J industrial average rose 7.42 points and advances led declines eight to seven as turnover rose to 40,000,000 shares from 37,940,000 yesterday.

In his speech tonight President Reagan was expected to outline Badget cuts totalling about \$50,000m for fiscal 1981 and 1982 and tax cuts to stimulate savings and investment.

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to 69;, General Electric one to
62;, Alcoa ; to 64;, Minnesota.

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to 57; and Johnson and Johnson
2; to 97.

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38; It will buy back 2.5 million
of its shares held by Kirk
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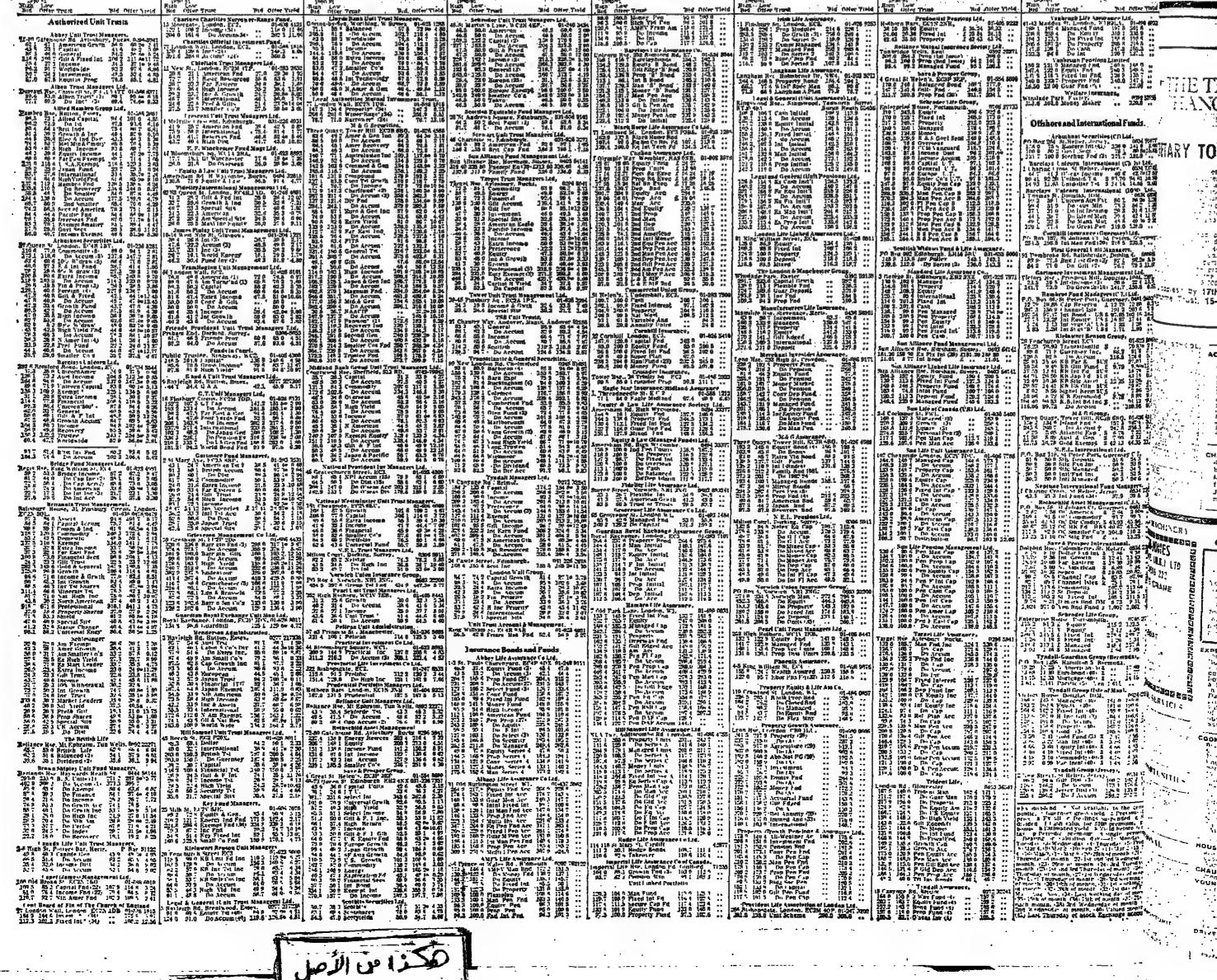
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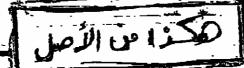
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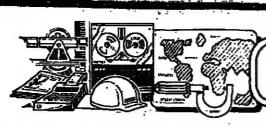
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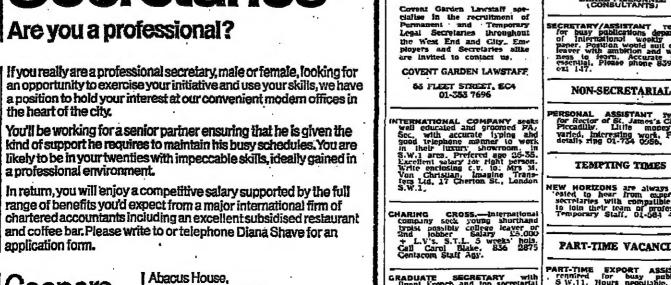
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10.00 News. 10.02 Enterprise. 10.30 Daily Servi

6.00 am News.
6.10 Farming.
6.30 Today.
8.35 Yesterday in Parliament,
9.00 News.
9.05 Checkpotot.
9.30 The Living World.

10.45 Story.
11.00 News.
11.05 File on 4.
11.50 Inquire Within.
12.00 News.
12.02 pm You and Yours.
12.27 Brain of Britain 1981.

3.00 News.
3.02 Play: The Night Stau Kenton Died, by William Bankler.
4.00 Fritz Splegl's Musical Alpha-

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adine Gordimer, the South African novelist: She is the ubject of Writers and Places (BBC 2, 8.00)

And so, after many alarums and excursions in the medical And so, after many alarums and excursions in the medical id lay press and in every other forom where life and death are sputed definitions and not absolutes, we finally arrive (BBC I, 1, 2, 20) at Panorama's Brain Death Debate Mark 2. You will reall that Mark 1, last October, had the medical royal colleges in arms over the programme's allegations that some patients agnosed as brain dead were capable of recovery. In public atements, the doctors stoutly defended the British criteria for ain death. Tonight, they are given full editorial control. ain death. Tonight, they are given full editorial control per a film in which their arguments are defined. Doctors who aestion the criteria are allowed to do so in their own film. hen, both sides engage in a 50-minute debate. All of which unds to me like a fair, fascinating (though probably costly) ethod by which the BBC can respond to criticism of a lack of ethod by which the BBC can respond to criticism of a lack of lance in its current affairs output. A bluepriot for the The second of Granada TV's films in the Camera series

TV, 11.00) is devoted to George Méliès and is jam-packed with inders. Méliès was the stage magician who adapted his icks to tickle the fancy of the early filmgoer. Hence the nishing lady, the human heads that become crotchers on lines music, the Man in the Moon with a rocketship lodged in e eye and, in what is probably the screen's first striptease, a man peeling off voluminous garments on bath night. Méliès's tenuity was boundless; when he filmed the coronation of lward VII in advance of the event, he used a washroom endant to play the monarch. An astonishing feature of Maxine ker's Camera series is the high quality of the ancient films. jerky action, either. And George Fenton's music is perfectly in the with the whole glorious and slightly ridiculous era. What's this? A situation comedy series on Radio 3? What xt—Schoenberg on Radio 1? At least Radio 3's epoch-making edy series Patterson (10.00) have an academic milieu—a rthern redbrick university. They are part-written by Malcolm adoury whose The History Man on television delighted my, shocked some, appalled others. . . Another chance wight (Radio 3, 7.30) to hear Pinter's new play Family Voices which Mother, Son and Dead Fáther address one another coss a No Man's Land where messages somehow become sipated. . . . There is just time for you to catch up with the jalization of Rose Macauley's The Towers of Trebizond. forgettable story-telling (the last two instalments, Radio 4,

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6.40 Open University. Title to the Earth; 7.05 Paris: Imperial City; 7.30 Handicapped in the Com-munity. Closedown at 7.55. musity. Closedown at 7.55.
9.00 For Schools, Colleges: Pearl Harbour to Hiroshima; 9.25 Geometry; 9.47 Play now, pay stef; 10.10 Merry-go-Round; 10.35 'Scene: consumer rights; 11.05 R's Maths: sequences; 11.30 Search: Welsh castle life; 11.55 Duneland; 12.20 Closedown.

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12.45 News. 1.00 Pebble Mill at
One: Includes Tony Bilbow's
weekly film item, Film Focus, 1.45
Bod. 2.00 You and Me: Vicki
Luke, with lines and circles (r).
2.15 For Schools, Colleges: Music
Time: 2.40 Televizion Club: You
Can Do Anything.
3.00 Claire Bayner's Casebook:
Repeated series about matrimomial

4.50 pm Open University: The First Years of Life. Clash 1; 5.15

First Years of Life. Class 1; 3.50 Childhood 5-10: starting school. 5.40 Charlie Chaplin : Work (1915)

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Charlie is a paper-hanger's assistant, Includes the sequence in which he does a pantomime of his sad life story. With Edna Purviance as the maid.\*
6.10 Maggie: Part 2 of this ninepart serial about a 17-year-old Glasgow girl (Kirsty Miller) beset by problems, emotional and domestic.
6.25 Music Hall Greats: Dreaming

6.25 Music-Hall Greats: Dreaming (1944), Bud Flanagan and Chesney

9.30 For Schools. Handicapped children's needs; 9.52 Journeys; 10.99 Consumer protection; 10.31 Evolution, for A-level students; 10.53 Bacteria, for A-level students; 11.10 Science: protectors and collectors; 11.27 Dr. Livingstone's explorations; 11.44 Picture Boz.

12.00 Gideon: Cartoon about a

farmyard duckling; 12.10 Stepping Stones: Vicky Ireland amid the rall buildings; 12.30 The Sullivans: Serial about an Australian family during the last war.

1.00 News; 1.20 Thames area news; 1.30 Together; Serial about the folk who live in a block of flats. With Kathleen Byron, Christine Pollon.

Christine Pollon.

2.00 After Noon Plus: Bernard
MacLaverty, the teacher and
author, is among today's guests.
He wrote the TV play My Dear

Palestrina.

2.45 The Racing Game: Odds
Against. Dick Francis thriller
about a former jockey, crippled
th an accident, who turns slevth.
With Mike Gwilym, James
Maxwell (r).

Today; at the races.

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BBC 2

John Craven's Newsround: Five minutes of news sense and commonsense. 5.05 Blue Peter; Eye-witness accounts of Queen Victoria's funeral procession. 5.35 The Perishers: with Leonard Rosster (r). 5.40 News: with Kenneth Kendall. 5.55 Regional news magazines. The regions unite for Nadonwide at 6.20 for the second of Tony Wilkinson's Down and Out films, and the Grass Roots item. 6.55 Tomorrow's World: Science 6.55 Tomorrow's World: Science for everyman. Items on an inflat-able fire escape and the use of ice in the making of oil rig drilling platforms.
7.20 Top of the Pops: The records which the pop faus are buying, performed by the appropriate performed by the appropriate artistes.
7.55 Hi De Hi: Second screening of this comedy series (written by Dad's Army writers Jimmy Perry and David Croft) set in a holiday camp in the 1950s. With Simon Cadel as the newly-appointed entertainments manager (r).
8.30 Partners: Richard Waring's comedy series continues: Divorced 3.00 Claire Rayner's Casebook:
Repeated series about matrimonial of this comedy series (written by problems. Today, three young people discuss the difficulty they experience in coping, with other people (r). 3.55 Play School:
John Dale's story Mr Smart and Mrs Wise. 4.20 Touché Turtle:
cartoon. Touché's Last Staud.
4.25 Jackanory: Julie Dawn Cole resds part. 4 of Dorothy Haas's Comedy series continues. Divorced husband and wife (Derek Waring, freeds part. 4.40 Scooby and Scrappy Doo: cartoon. The Matth): are locked together in a show bouse.
Night Ghoul of Wonderworld, 5.00 Allen as two British soldiers at Ascot, in Africa and behind the German lines in the last war. They sing Home Town, Underroeath the Arches, and the title song. Director: John Baxter.
7.58 News. With sub-titles for the hard of hearing. Also weather forecast. 7:30 am Open University. Unemployment. Closedown at 7.55.
11.00 Play School: John Dale's story Mr Smart and Mrs Wise (also on EBC 1 at 3.55). Closedown at 11.25.

politics of apartheid.

3.45 in Loving Memory : Comedies about a funeral undertaker's business. Today : a trade war. With Thora Hird, Christopher

an unpleasant surprise.
5.45 News; 6.00 Thames area
news; 6.25 Help! Information

about a self-help group for couples with infertility problems. 6.35 Battlestar Galactica: Part one of War of the Gods. A tale about some missing pilots. With Richard Hatch as Captain Apollo;

7.30 Bognor: episode 4 of this thriller about a most unusual investigation at a friary. With David Horovitch as the Depart-

ment of Trade investigator. 8.00 The Incredible Mr Tanner: First in a new comedy series about a man (Brian Murphy) who thinks he is the world's greatest escapologist. With Roy Kinnear

Television in Boston. American viewers will see it, too.

9.00 The Little World of Don Camillo: The priest works out the anagram that conceals the identity of the winner of the village lottery. With Brian Blessed (Peppone) and Mario Adorf (Don Camillo).

9.30 Man Alive: In the Unlikely Event . .: Using unique film, the programme investigates the chances of surviving an air crashfack Pizzev talks to three scientists who did it.

10.20 The Mike Harding Show: Featuring what could be the longest joke in the world. It is 25 minutes in the telling.

10.50 Newsnight: The latest news, and in-depth treatment of the most important stories. Linda Alexander reads the bulletins, and Marshall Lee presents the sports Television in Boston. American cast.

8.00 Writers and Places: A
Terrible Chemistry, Last in the
series. Leading South African
novelist Nadine Cordiner is filmed
in Johannesburg, Soweto, the
mine compounds of the West Rand
and the white cornel fermine and the white-owned farmland around Johannesburg. It is the story of one European's growing awareness of black Africa and the 3.30 Russell Harty: Tonight's edi-tion comes from the United States, and Mr Harty will co-present it with Eileen Prose of Channel 5

2 of Philip Mackie's adaptation of the Francis' Hes novel about a country doctor (Hywel Bennett) with murderous intentions. With Judy Partist as his doomed wife and Cheryl Campbell as his

mistress (r). 10.20 A Question of Life or Death: Much-talked-about debate

Death: Much-talked-about debate resulting from a Panorama programme last October which asked the question: are the donors really dead when human organ transplants are contemplated? Four distinguished doctors put forward their arguments in support of a British code. Four other doctors put their opposing views. Ends at 11.50 approximately (see Personal Choice). 11.50 News headlines.

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Marshall Lee presents the sports report. Ends at 11.40. million-pound industry for the Basques could be adapted to Welsh conditions.

9.00 Hill Street Blues: Dramas set in an American police precinct. A rapist on the run eludes capture. There is also the problem of the crooked police officer. With Michael Conrad.

10.00 News from ITN.

10.30 Thames Report: Two Tory MPs. Teddy Taylor and Michael Grylls, defend the Government's industrial record in front of an andience of the unemployed and hard-pressed businessmen.

11.00 Camera: George Mélies. Generous sequences from the Beeny (r).
4.15 Watch It! A Dr Snuggles story, and, at 4.20 Little House on the Prairie: Homesour yard, with a football flavour; 5.15 Emmerdale Farm: Grace is in for a unpleasant surprise.

Generous sequences from the extraordinary films made by the former magician who transferred his magic to the early cinema screens towards the end of the last century (See Personal Choice)

last century (See Personal Choice).

11.30 Three's Company: A land-lady (Audra Lindley) introduces her husband's bored niece to three of her tenants. A comedy.

12.00 What the Papers Say: Newspaper review by Ian Waller of The Sunday Telegraph.

12.15 Close: Hugo Young, of The Sunday Times, reads something with a religious theme, though not by a religious writer. escapologist. With Roy Kinnear and Joseph O'Conor. 8.30 TV Eye: A report on mem-ployed Welsh trade unionists who have gone to the Spanish town of Mondragon to see if a mulci-

RADIO 10.30-10.45 Listen with Mother. 11.00-12.00 Schools: Time and Tune (15): Man; Home or Away. 2.00 pm-3.00 Schools: Living Lan-guage; Look! Living Through 11.00 Study on 4; Punti di vista (16).

6.55 am Weather.

11.39-12.10 am Open University: Imroduction to Sociology; What is Design? Radio 3

7.00 News.
7.05 Records: Frederick the Great,
Corelli, Bruckner, Balakirevi
(8.00-8.05 News), Helst, Mozart,
Warlock, Poulenc.; 9.00 News 9.05 Week's Composers : Dunstable and Power.† 9.35 Concert : Haydn and Mozart.+

9.55 Contest : Layers and Ravel.†
10.30 Piano : Chopin and Ravel.†
11.25 Leipzig Gewandhaus Orchestra : Mendelssohn, Prokofiev. 1.00 pm News. 1.05 Bristol recital : Plano trios by Mozart, Ravel.† 2.00 Songs by Adrian Cruft.†
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2.25 Beethoven; String Quartet Op. 127.† 3.10 Concert; Mozart and Salieri.† 4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure.† 7.00 Talking about Music.† 7.30 Play: Family Voices, by Harold Pinter (National Theatre production).† 8.05 La Changon d'Eve, music by Rauré.† Dickinson. 7.30 Boston Symphony Orchestra : Hummel Haydn, Tartini arr 8.15 A Kind of Rootedness, a new aspect of the American character.

3.35 Boston Symphony Orchestra

2: Tchalkovsky.†

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11.00 A Book at Beddime: The Harpole Report (9).
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9.00 am Schools: A Service for Schools; Music intertude; Maths—with a Story! Sounds, Words and Movement; Music intertude; Stories and Rhymes. 11.05-11.15 Howells.†
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Biology, Brain and Behaviour.
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5.00 am Bob Kilbey.† 7.30 Terry
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Ed Stewart.† 4.00 Much More
Music.† 6.00 John Dunn.† 8.00
Country Club.† 9.00 Alan Dell.†
10.00 A Very Private Man. 10.30
Star Sound Extra. 11.00 Brian
Marthew. 2.00 am-5.00 You and
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MARRIAGES MILES: BAGLEY,—On Saturday, February 14th at the Church of St. Toresa and ine Holy Child. Boaconsileld, between Mr. John Miles, younger ann of Mr Arthur F. Miles and the late Mrs. V. R. Miles of Sevenolais, Kont, and Miss Clare Bagley, elder daughler of Mr and Mrs. Roy Bagley of Gertards Cross, Bucks. DEATHS

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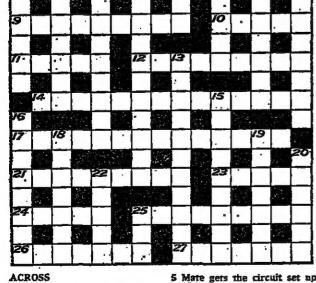
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9 One more side for 50p would make it so (9).

10 More loyal than John Peel's hound? (5).

11 Wild cat found back in Montenegro (5).

12 Costume jewelry has a place, after brandy (9).

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25 Woa't these mudders take it to sharpen the wits? (9).
26 Old cavary officers among the brass (7).
27 These lines appear to suggest partiality (7).

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